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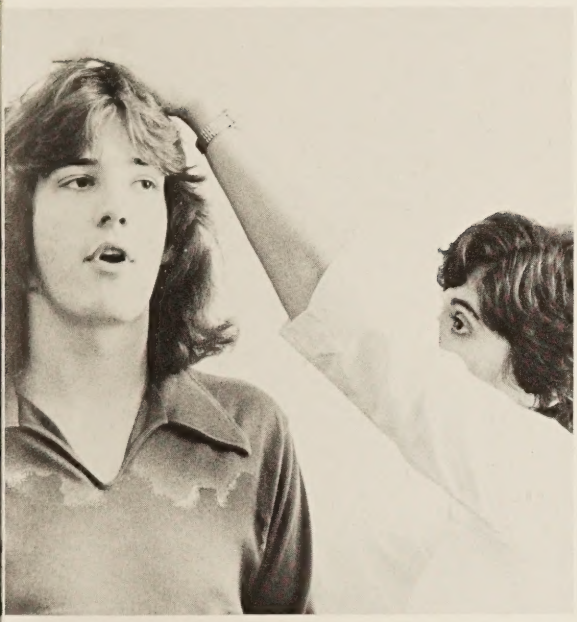
DOING IT....

With all the new things at Ferguson, life was a little easier for all of us. But there were things that we all had to make the best of. Our way was to do the best we could with what we had. Paper conservation increased the number of blackboard tests and decreased the number of mimeographed study sheets. The energy crunch put a crunch on boys' gym classes and night activities. Mariners used long cafeteria lines to catch up on the latest gossip. The cafeteria was a meetingplace before school, a market place for school-related sales during school, and a dancehall before the energy restrictions. Some classrooms were crowded, but students packed in more desks and practiced a new type of 'togetherness'.

ABOVE: Newport News residents crowd into gymnasiums to receive swine flu immunizations.

OUR WAY!



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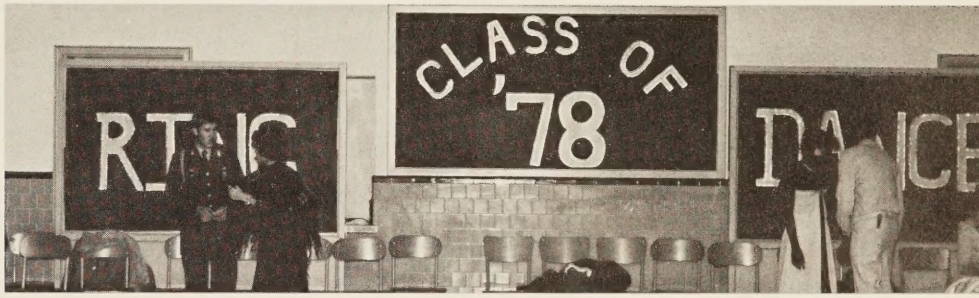
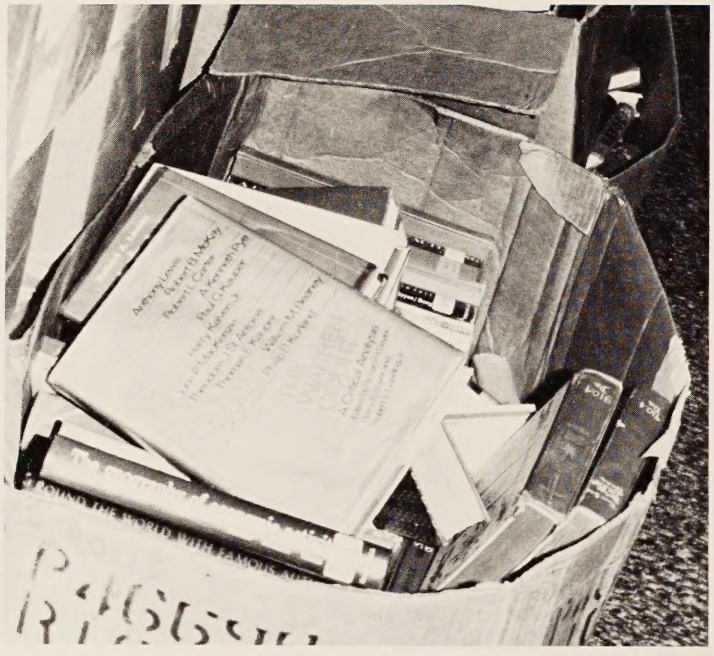


TOP LEFT: On weighing and measuring day, Wayne Hunter's height is recorded. TOP RIGHT: An ordinary school cafeteria is transformed for Ring Dance with the effective use of glitter on blackboards. LEFT: Gloves are a necessity as Rose Smith files cards in a chilly library.

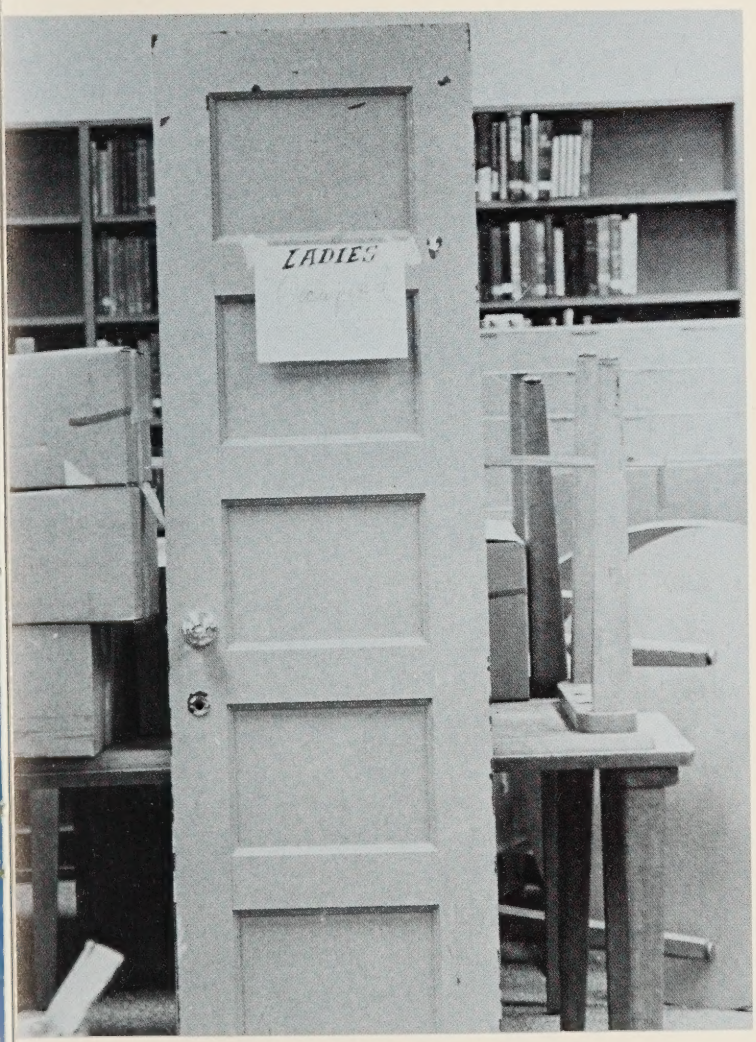
Changing For The Better

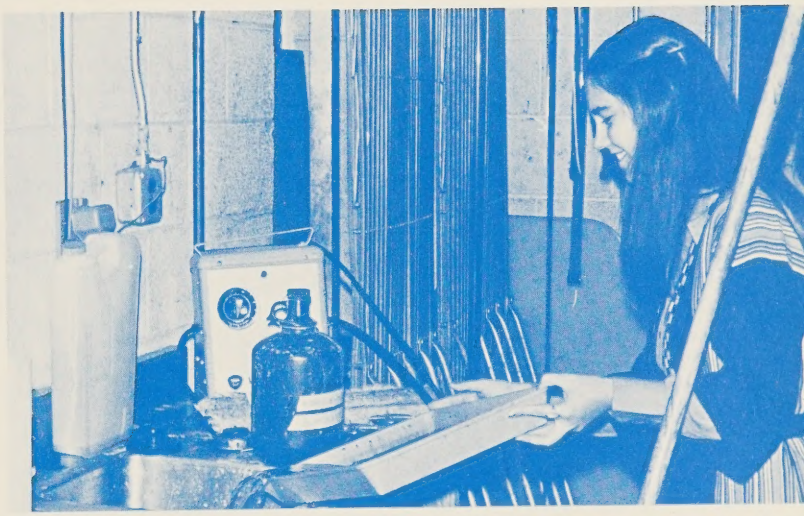
During the summer vacation, construction work at Ferguson was not a big part of the average Mariner's thoughts. But when upperclassmen returned to school, many changes brought back memories of the spring of '76. Sophomores entered without pleasant memories of bulldozers crawling down the main hall, but they soon saw the changes at Fergie. The library was not open until November, but bookworms crawled in to find it doubled in size. The main office was enlarged and the guidance offices consolidated. A new darkroom, a greenhouse and a new reading program were introduced. Wishes for a new type of exam came true as Ferguson moved into a nine-week grading system, and adopted a new and much debated report card.



ABOVE: Library books reside in cardboard crates while new shelves are being built for them. LEFT: Pouring cement in the hot sun lays the foundation for the outside walls of the enlarged library.

LEFT: In Ferguson's new greenhouse, David Richards cares for a spider plant. BELOW LEFT: A door without a room is one of many items out of place due to remodeling of the building. BELOW RIGHT: Final clean-up of the old darkroom takes place, as Debra Smith pours developing fluid into the sink before moving into the new darkroom.





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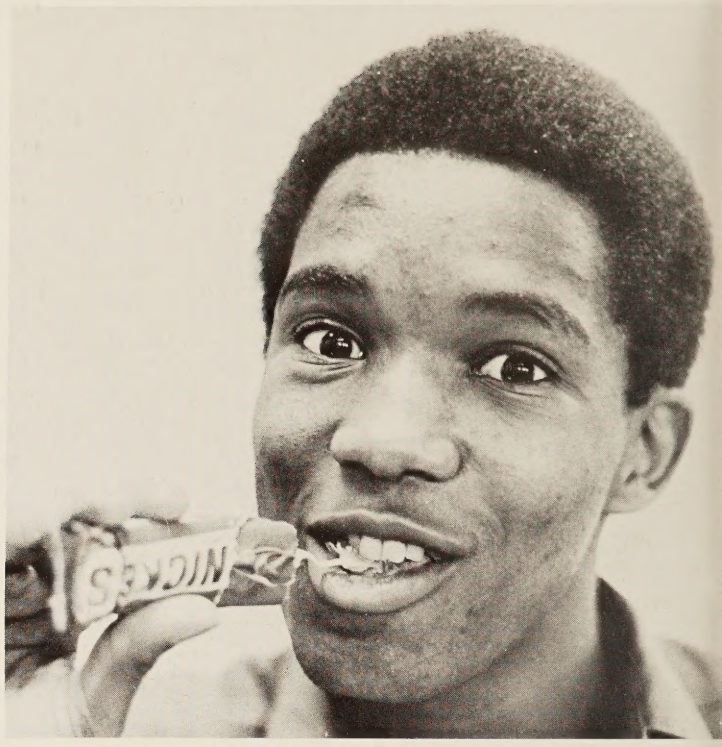


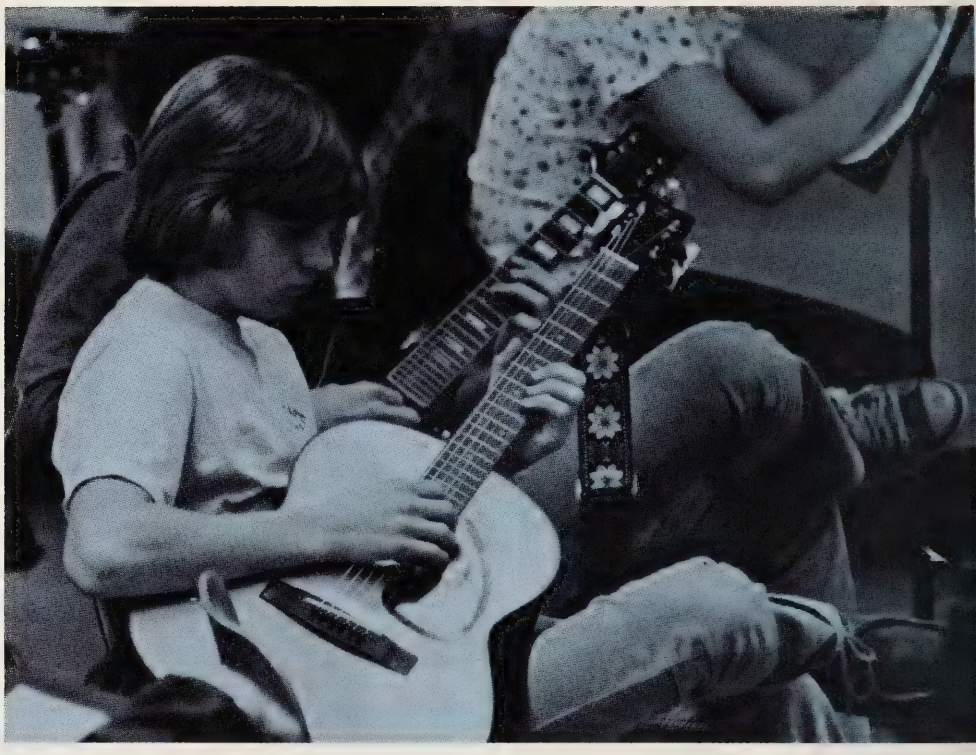
ABOVE: "There's nothing like the face of a kid . . . ;" Ernest Johnson shows his enjoyment of a candy bar. LEFT: A new addition to the Ferguson halls is a suggestion locker.

There were many ways that Mariners showed the world who we were in 1976-77. Loud screaming participation in pep rallies and at football games showed other students, other schools and other people that we were Mariners and proud of it. Sports, art, writing and other competitions brought rcognition to Ferguson students, in school and out. People expressed their feelings to other people through both quiet words and zany actions. We showed the world who we were--our way.

TOP: A football player converses with Coach Quillen during a Todd Stadium game. LEFT: Students enjoying school food is unusual, but Tim Hughes likes it.

Today Is The Day

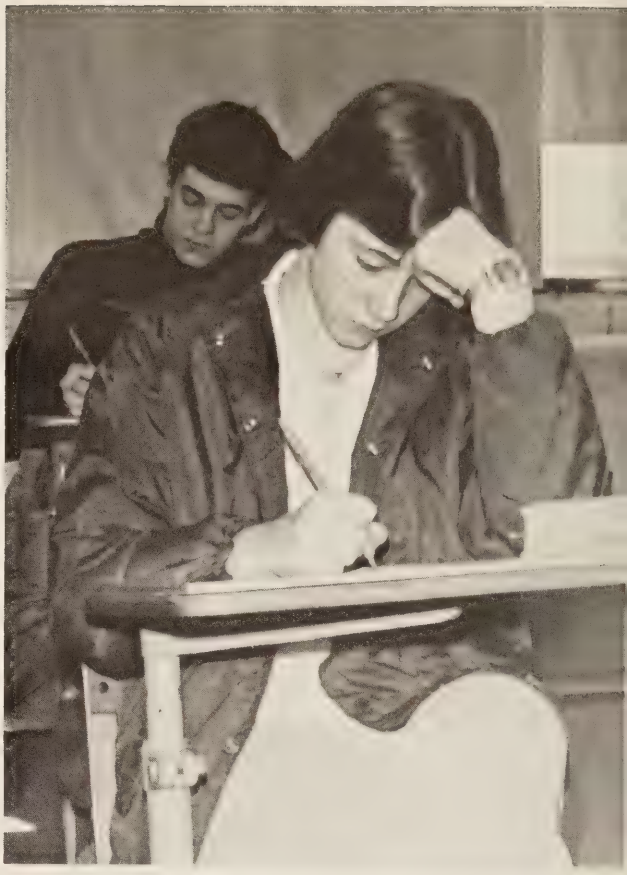
Each day at Ferguson was "today," a Mariner day to be done in our own style. While we remembered our yesterdays, the current minute was always the most important. Each day, lasting only for a brief moment, soon became another memory added to an ever-growing collection. Our times came and went, to be enjoyed and to be remembered when today became yesterday.



ABOVE: Learning to make music, David Pociluyko concentrates in guitar class.
RIGHT: Sitting in the conductor's chair, student teacher Zelma Bratcher discusses sheet music with Mr. Herring.

ABOVE: History classes take notes intently during Mr. Coccoli's lecture period. LEFT: In art class, David Dixon puts all his efforts into weaving a masterpiece.

The school year of 1976-1977 was a year of changes for many people. Sophomores came to a new school and wandered around the halls getting lost until they learned their way around Fergie. Juniors, in the middle, began preparing for the future by taking SAT tests and attending college days. They had to get used to the fact that soon they would be seniors. Seniors, in their last year here, applied to colleges, planned ahead, and still tried to enjoy the last year. Some people cooperated in group projects and some worked alone. Some students took their work more seriously and some took their fun more seriously. But each of the students at Ferguson was an individual, one person with his or her way of doing things.

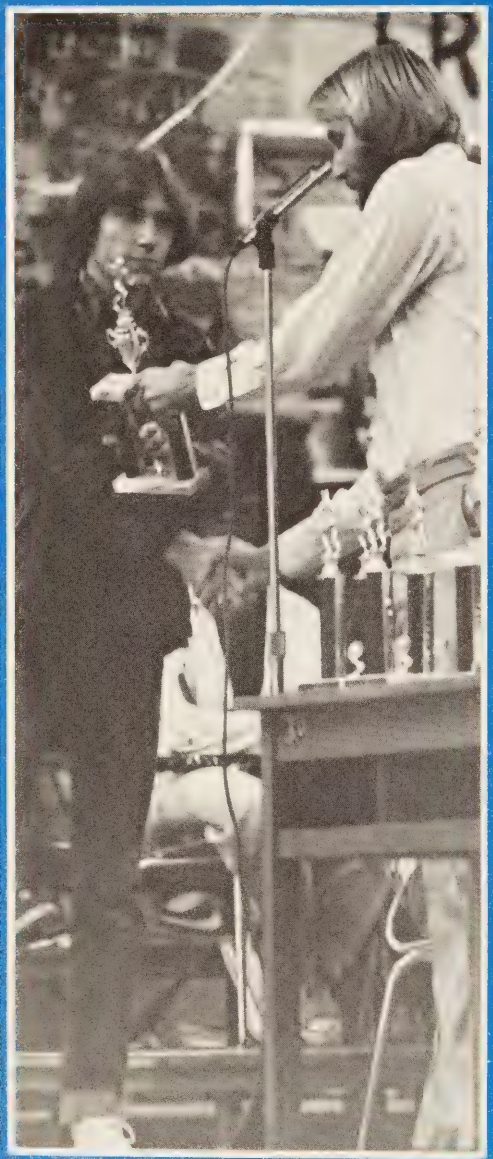


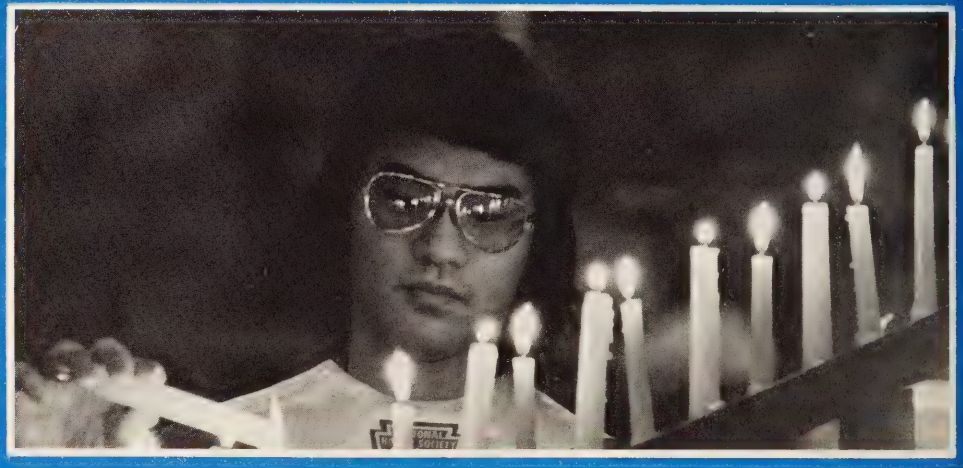
TOP: With intent concentration, Louise Murdock and Mark Ledford write compositions. RIGHT: In the greenroom, David Barnes and Susan Smith clown around before a presentation of "Up the Down Staircase."

Classes, Tests, College Applications Bring Challenge To Ferguson Students

TOP LEFT: With a Kojak-pop in her mouth, Leslie Deans is in complete control of the new lightboard in the auditorium. TOP RIGHT: A wet, muddy and injured football player lays on the sidelines during one of the season's most disastrous games. LEFT: In composition class, DeeDee Hartless, Mary Paige, Chris Waltz, and Robert Cook show different reactions to a statement.

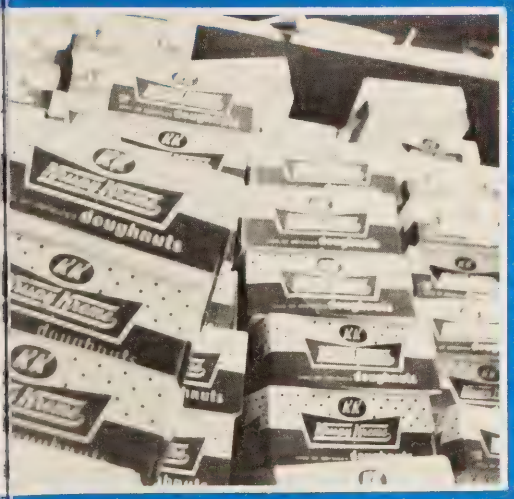
Our Activities





ABOVE: Accomplishment is awarded as Joey Keyes receives a trophy for the Cross-Country track team. TOP LEFT: After the Homecoming game, Sylvester Pope and Monette Dutch seek shelter from the rain. MIDDLE LEFT: A candle is lit by David Yamaki during the National Honor Society induction. BOTTOM LEFT: Voices blend together in song as the choir, led by Ms. Cheryl Brown, entertains at an assembly.

The most important part of this year at Ferguson High School was what we did while we were there. During the six hours of the school day, many options were offered to us. We did our best at our required work, then we could make our own decisions, and choose to learn, to have good times, or to do both. When the bell rang at 3:20, we were free from classes, and we could go our own ways. We could continue to learn about a subject that interested us by joining an academic club, or help others by becoming a member of a service club. Learning about our future careers, learning to draw, write, act and speak, or just having fun were other Mariner activities. It was our choice, and we could do it our way.



ABOVE: Doughnuts pile up in bookroom awaiting sale by fundraising clubs. LEFT: Fine form is shown by a dancer on Fifties Day.

South Africa, California Share With Ferguson

The American Field Service, otherwise known as AFS, has been very active this year. Ferguson hosted two AFS students, Jack Fletcher from South America, and Lynette Booth from Sebastopol California. Jack, who was here on the year program, and stayed with Becky Mausterler's family.

Lynette, here on the semester program lived with Beth Breckinridge. Lynette found school work a little harder than she remembered it in California.

Ferguson student Ann Drucker went to Wisconsin for an AFS semester program. Ryan Monroe lived in Mexico during the summer as an AFS student and served as president of AFS.

TOP RIGHT: Ready to eat spaghetti, Steve Hawkins and Carolyn Hull wait in line for their dinner. BOTTOM RIGHT: Involved in discussion, Mrs. Sharpe and AFS student Jack Fletcher examine containers of fruit flies.

TOP LEFT: With her plate full, Ridley Jones is ready to enjoy Lynnette's birthday dinner. BOTTON LEFT: Before dinner, Margaret Hunt, Joan Christensen and Joyce Waltz enjoy girl talk. TOP RIGHT: Trying something new, Lynette Booth and Heather Dow work on building a bridge in physics class.

TOP LEFT: Students embrace at the Homecoming Dance during a waltz played by "Harvest." TOP RIGHT: Doug Simpson and friends from other schools kick up their heels at the Homecoming Dance. ABOVE: Homecoming Court; Janet Pleasants, Kathy Morris, Jean White, Alexis Brown, Tracey Hixson, Monette Dutch, Phyllis Johnson, Sharon Jarrett and Joan Young.

Weather Dampens Spirit

Rain and more rain was the story of Homecoming 1976. Although students had spent weeks preparing for the big event, most events were drizzled out by the weather.

Few students showed up for the traditional bon-fire and parade to the stadium, and the sprinkling of fans at the game huddled under umbrellas.

A soggy field and a football team weakened by injuries contributed to a staggering loss to Hampton.

In spite of the steady rain the Homecoming Court was presented at half-time and Senior Monette Dutch was crowned queen by Associate Principal Tim Walter.

The queen and her court were also honored at a dance the following night in the cafeteria.

LEFT: Tears were the after effect for Monette Dutch when she was named Homecoming Queen. BELOW LEFT: A wet crowd awaits half-time events at the rainy Homecoming game. BELOW RIGHT: Soon to be crowned, Monette Dutch is escorted onto the field.

Hocus Pocus Creates Special Magic At Juniors' Ring Dance
December 4 Was a Night To Remember . . .

Ferguson's cafeteria came alive December 4 with the sound of Hocus-Pocus and the theme of Spectrum. A special night was made even more unforgettable when small memory books were given out, with page for pictures and autographs.

Class President Jack Young announced the couples that passed under the ring. The highlight of the dance was, as always, when the couples received their rings and sealed it with a kiss.

For the Juniors who attended, the night was one of excitement and good times that they will keep in mind for a long time to come.

UPPER LEFT: A short intermission gives Debbie Paliszewski and Bonnie Snapp time to exchange opinions. UPPER RIGHT: Even the band is caught up in the spirit of Ring Dance as they enjoy their own vibrations. RIGHT: The symbolic exchange of class rings under the giant ring is something special to Lindsay Johnson and Glenda Morgan.

FAR LEFT: Ever faithful to his job as Annual staff photographer, Ray Highsmith manages to balance on a chair. NEAR LEFT: After Kim McKee receives her class ring, her date Ryan Monroe escorts her to the dance floor. LOWER LEFT: The band provides a good beat for Kathy Lemon and Mike Wiggins. BELOW: A slow dance gives Tim Nelson and Judy Huff a close moment.

BELOW LEFT: Santa Mike Clark asks the magic question, "What do you want for Christmas?" BOTTOM LEFT: Enjoying the attention of youngsters, Tim Hughes tells them a story. RIGHT: Gathering together after an SCA meeting, club members discuss new plans. BOTTOM RIGHT: Placing a corsage on Evelyn Watkins for her work on the homecoming committee is Heather Dow.

LEFT: Performing for youngsters, Debbie Christiansen, Mike Ponton, and Jon Lawson play Christmas music. BOTTOM LEFT: Surrounded by members of the SCA, Heather Dow leads a meeting. BOTTOM RIGHT: Disastorous conditions during remodeling of the auditorium do not keep the SCA from having meetings.

Projects, Fund Raising Fill Active SGA's Year

Under the leadership of Heather Dow the SCA ran smoothly. A car wash in September opened fund raising.

Later they sold candy, and had the traditional end-of-the-semester dance.

For a community project, the SCA representatives, officers, and the school band went to four elementary schools for Christmas programs. Music and parties were provided by the group.

Service, Fun Fill Year For Active Keyettes

Keyettes strive each year to do service to both their school and their community. With a task force of eager girls, they succeeded.

Contributions were given in the form of money, time, and effort, and Keyettes enthusiastically gave of all three by participating in SCA projects, by contributing to the Daily Press Christmas fund, the Heart Fund, and ohters, and by helping out various community and school organizations.

To fund the projects, Keyettes sold candy and cleaned out Todd Stadium. The hardy girls entered a Walk-a-thon for the American Cancer Society and also aided the Muscular Dystrophy projects.

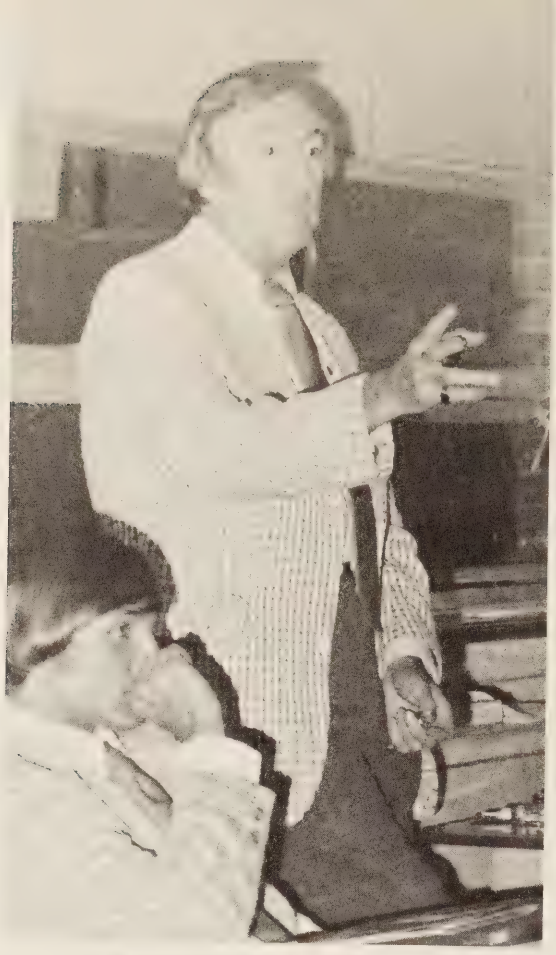
Keyettes also made valentines, coloring books, and a variety of baked goods for children during Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Valentine's Day.

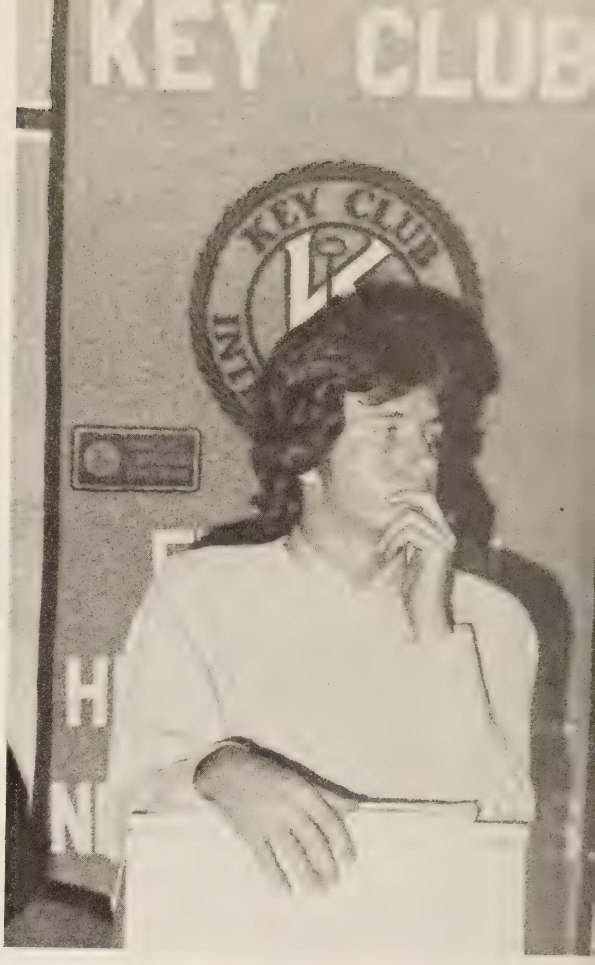
Regional Band tryouts went smoothly with the help of Keyette volunteers who served as guides and registrars.

The social aspect of Keyettes included a Christmas secret pal party, a Valentine card party, and an induction ceremony.

TOP: Keyettes Donna Strother and Robin Brooks fill Red Cross friendship boxes. BOTTOM: Attentively taking notes is sponsor Beilnda Fluty.

LEFT: Keyettes listen to discussion at the weekly Wednesday morning meeting. BELOW LEFT: Executive board members Debbie Gurley and Kathy Dougherty put up bulletin board. MIDDLE RIGHT: Leading a discussion on service projects is Joanne Lefkowitz. BOTTOM RIGHT: Despite the destruction of the bulletin boards the Keyettes continue to put them up.





UPPER LEFT: Kiwanis Advisor to the Key Club, Mr. Richard Teagle, emphasizes a point. UPPER RIGHT: Lost in thought, Michael Mee presides over a meeting. RIGHT: Refreshing his mind during a meeting, Steve Binder examines some literature.

Key Club Challenges Indifference

K-E-Y, Kiwanis Encourages Youth, that is what the KEY in Key Club means. With the help of their faculty advisor, Mr. Dewey Johnson, and their Kiwanis advisor, Mr. Richard Teagle, the FHS Key Club began a new year.

The theme of Key Club International for the 1976-77 School year was "Challenge Indifference" To challenge indifference, a large number of students was needed, especially to reach the goals of service to the community and the school. The membership was increased by 95%, and the Key Club received an award from Internaional in recognition of this achievement.

The executive board led the club in their numerous activities, which included a visit to the Va. Baptist Home, a walk for Mankind, a Christmas dinner for the orphans and staff of the Hopesville Boys' Ranch, a collection for Muscular Dystrophy and the Heart Fund, and also payment for the class ring of the AFS exchange student.

Key Club also worked in conjunction with the Keyettes to help at Regional Band tryouts, and co-sponsored the Reading Improvement Book Drive.

Members of the Key Club ushered at Miss Mariner, started to re-establish a club at Denbigh, cleaned up the school grounds, and raised money by painting, selling doughnuts and candy. The Key Club also looked into the possibility of sponsoring a child at the Hopesville Boys' Ranch.

UPPER LEFT: Concentration is show on the face of Donald Pullen during a Key Club meeting. LEFT: Executive Board members Donald Pullen, treasurer; Jimmy Warren, chaplain; and David Yamaki, secretary; confer.

Most students look forward to some snow in the winter, but the usual quota of two or three inches was already met by the time the new year got into full swing. They got more than they bargained for when the record-setting low temperatures chilled their homes and especially their classrooms.

Due to snow and bitter cold temperatures, Governor Goodwin declared a state of emergency that affected Ferguson students in more ways than one. Receiving two snow days by the end of January and expecting a lot more, the Mariners were also affected by the closing of the boys gym and the postponement of cancellation of many extra-curricular activities.

The reduction in energy consumption forced the Varsity basketball team to play their home games in other gyms. They practiced at Warwick and in the girls' gym. Miss Mariner and Donkey Basketball were both postponed and pep rallies could not be held because the natural gas-heated boys' gym was closed off.

THIS PAGE, UPPER RIGHT: Mindful of the camera, Fred Wilson writes his name on snow-covered van. RIGHT: When a boys' gym class was relocated, Mr. Walters heartlessly confiscated the Annual Staff's work table and forced Vicky Kaiser to work on the floor.

Cold Weather Inconveniences Faculty And Students

TOP: After a good wind-up, Susan Smith lets loose a snowball aimed at David Honnicutt. With revenge in his eyes, David then prepares to retaliate. BELOW: Taking advantage of a snowy day, Dale Bryant smashes a friend as Amy Little and Chad Kilburn look on.

RIGHT: Trombone section blares away during an assembly. BELOW LEFT: Under the direction of Wray Herring the band gives their best effort. BELOW RIGHT: Puffing his cheeks, Timothy Dillard concentrates on his music. BOTTOM: Drummer Keith Davis turns to follow the rest of the band during halftime.

Music Interest Pursued Through Band, Guitar

Music was a popular activity and hobby for Ferguson students who studied instrumental music.

Daily practice sessions were necessary to perfect skill with instruments and music reading.

Pep rallies and concerts were opportunities for students to share their interest in music with students who were just good listeners.

LEFT: Matt Grizzard practices playing from sheet music. BELOW: Guitar teacher Alphia Brown helps David Pociluyko tune his guitar.

Students Share Art, Music With Community

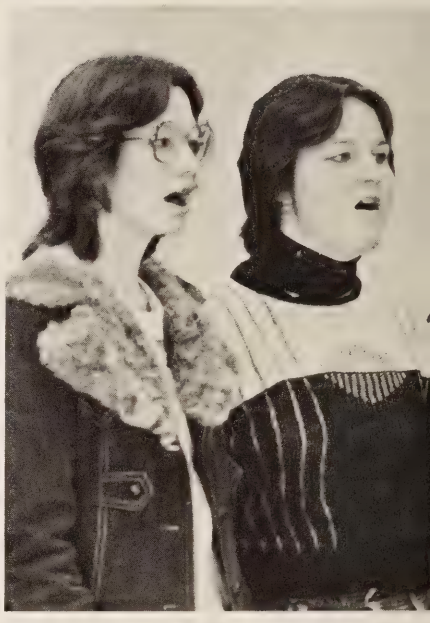
The "Vocal Ensemble" or the Madrigals as they were most frequently called, were Ferguson's musical ambassadors to the Peninsula.

The singers were selected by their former director, Cheryl Brown, who resigned after her December marriage.

They performed for many groups, but the high point of the year was their appearance on the Dick Lamb Show in January.

Under the leadership of a new director, Bonnie Yingling, the singers gave many concerts for the public and school.

Another part of Ferguson's cultural world was art. The Art Department decorated the Cafeteria at Christmas, painted a back-drop for the Mariners Museum and painted scenery for "Up the Down Staircase." They also contributed paintings for show at the Fine Arts Week.



TOP: New choral instructor, Bonnie Yingling, directs the Choir. LEFT: Listening intently, Cheryl Brown aims for a perfect tone. FAR RIGHT: Madrigal members Susan Long and Susan Burns harmonize with each other while singing. BOTTOM: Under the direction of Cheryl Brown the Madrigals perform at an assembly.

ABOVE LEFT: With complete concentration Becki Richardson works on a macrame project. ABOVE RIGHT: Using a potters wheel, art teacher, Sheila Cislo, demonstrates throwing a pot. LEFT: While working with a loom Walter Elam is observed by William Oliver.

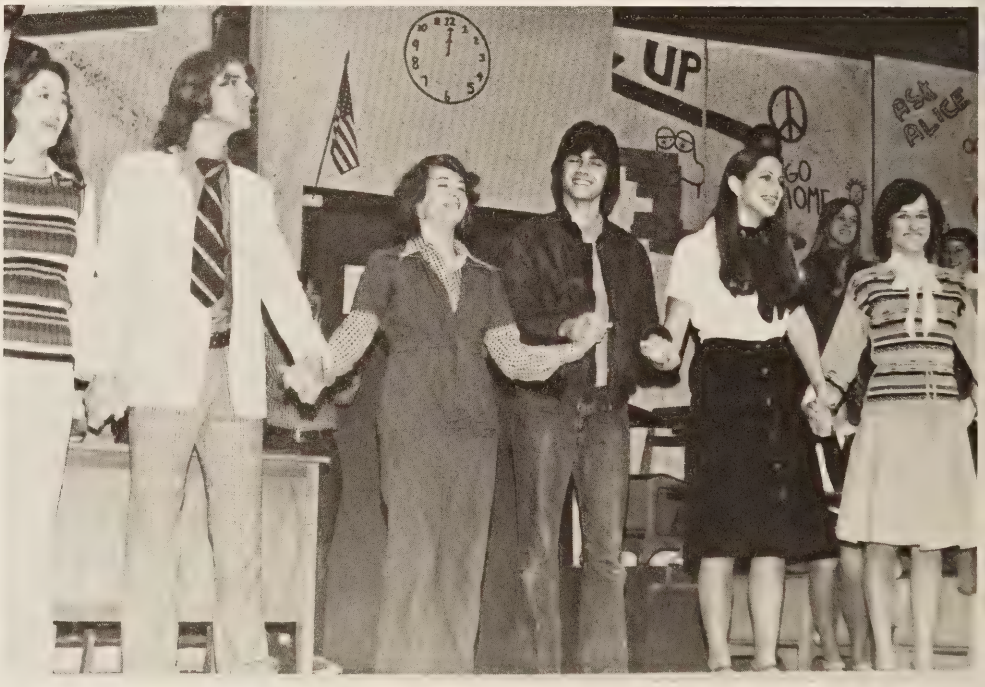
Student, Teacher Problems Shown Through Drama

Rehearsals of blocking and going over lines seemed like they would never end, but finally it was opening night and the long wait was over.

Preparations for "Up the Down Staircase" began weeks before the the three nights that students turned the stage into a classroom. Standing under hot, blinding lights receiving orders under Miss Quinn's watchful eyes, cast members perfected their roles.

Tech Saturday, short breaks to Burger King, applause and even "Hi, Teach," were soon only memories to students who had made the auditorium their home for weeks.

Lasting friendships were formed and each participant learned things he had not known about himself before he became Alice, Sylvia, or Joe for a brief moment.



ABOVE: Teacher Sylvia Barrett, Anna Hansen, takes up work from student Betty Carter. RIGHT: At the end of a dynamic performance actors Becky Mausteller, Ryan Monroe, Betty Carter, Tim Hughes, Anna Hansen, and Karen Magee bow for applause.

BELOW: Late to class, actor Tim Hughes tries to explain to teacher, Anna Hansen. RIGHT: After taking a test, Tim Hughes discusses it with teacher. BOTTOM LEFT: Teacher, student and principal have a heated discussion in "Up the Down Staircase." BOTTOM RIGHT: Between preformances, Gwen Pointer sweeps floor.

RIGHT: With freshly applied wrinkles, Carol Anne Woolard pauses before putting on her "librarian" costume. MIDDLE: Day dreaming, Becky Dunn wonders, "Will we ever get this set completed?" BOTTOM: Backstage the make up crew paints the faces of actors before curtain time.

LEFT: Make-up crew Dlane Alvis helps Cathy Compton put on her make-up. MIDDLE: Preparing the set, Vicki Matthewson and Maureen Mulcahy glue muslin to the flat. BOTTOM: Set construction begins as Steve Simmons saws a board for a prop.

Make-Up, Costumes, Sets Bring "Staircase" To Life

Tryouts for "Up the Down Staircase" were held with a huge group of hopeful students reading for parts. Rehearsals went on for weeks with endless reading and coaching on "the right way to do it" from sponsor Miss Pat Quinn.

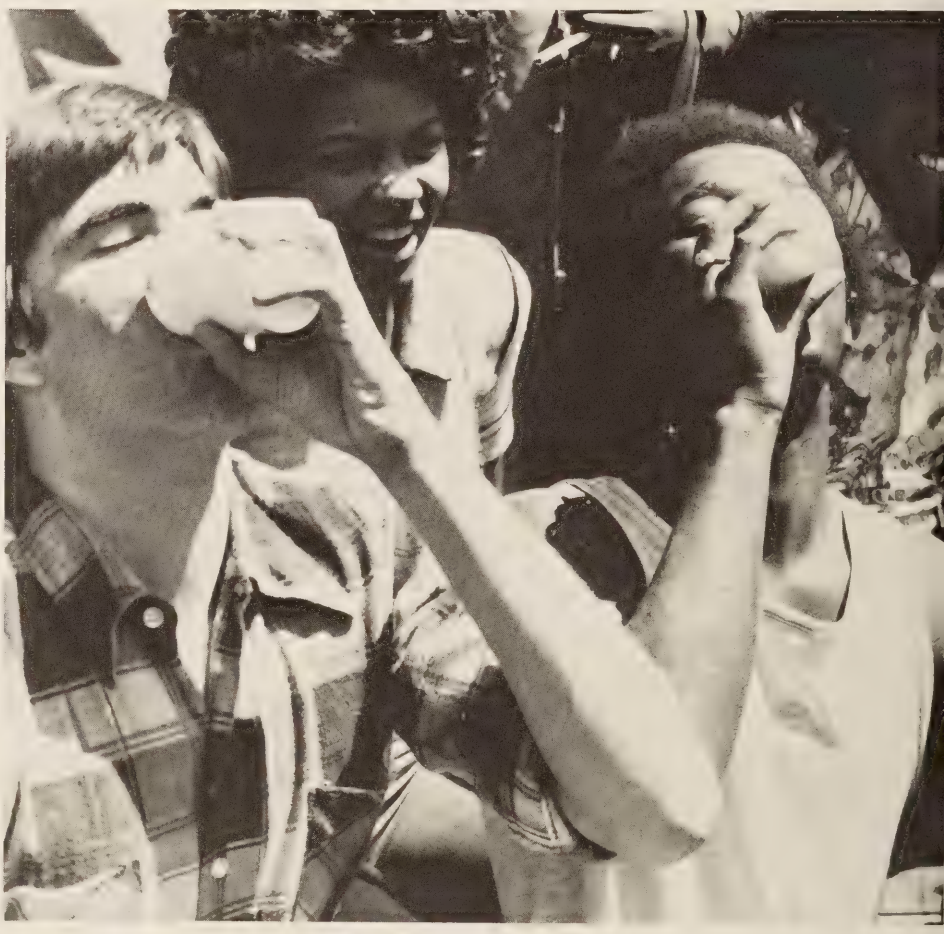
Sets were built by the set crew and the stagecraft class. Posters, programs, and costumes were made.

With the stage finally transformed into an English classroom of a big city school, students wiggled into costumes, put on make-up, wished each other good luck and it was opening night.

Fine Arts Weeks Brings Games, Film, Music, Fun

Fine Arts Week, held in the spring of 1976, was Ferguson's second annual week long celebration of students talents.

Fine Arts Week included a film festival, colonial games, a fashion show, sidewalk art shows and musical groups on the lawn. The weather cooperated and made the out-door activities a refreshing break from classes.



TOP RIGHT: Involved in Fine Arts Week, Ernest Johnson enjoys his jello. BOTTOM RIGHT: Competition is the name of this game, as eager students watch the jello eating contest. BOTTOM LEFT: Participating in the colonial games, these two students attempt to climb the greased flag pole.

TOP LEFT: Preparing for the jello eating contest, Heather Dow helps out. BOTTOM LEFT: One of the many events in Fine Arts Week, the outside band attracted many students. BOTTOM RIGHT: Art work such as this was displayed outdoors during the week.

Debates, Skits, Films Presented In Assemblies

Political campaigns added a few extra assemblies to the traditional ones held this year.

Two assemblies featured delegates running for Congress. Selected classes were taken to see Jessie Ratley, Bob Quinn and George Grayson answer questions asked by students. Later, Republican Paul Trible and Democrate Bob Quinn returned for another session of answering students questions.

Campus Life presented a human interest assembly to get students involved in activities outside of school. Another assembly promoted the "Walk For Mankind" which many Ferguson students participated in.

The traditional spirit week skits provided a lot of laughs for students, and the Homecoming assembly gave them a chance to see the representatives from each class for Homecoming Court.

When the Christmas season neared the Christmas assembly was held. Holiday spirit was generated by the band and chorus as they presented seasonal selections.

ABOVE LEFT: Student from Madison College warms up his saxaphone before an assembly arranged by the music department. ABOVE LEFT: As representative of Homecoming Court are presented, Cathy Morris is escourted by Alan Lowe. RIGHT: During the "Spirit Week" assembly juniors Tim Hughes, Robin Brooks, Kim McKee, Tim Hyatt, and John Allen perform on stage.

TOP: During Distributive education week some students attend an assembly on the vocational education program. ABOVE: Law week is observed by students attending a forum organized by the Social Studies Department on Students and the Law. LEFT: Heather Dow, potraying President Lincoln, introduces Sophomores to student activities during Sophomore orientation.

Seniors Share Memories During Dream-Like Prom

Prom '76 was a dream come true for seniors. Couples went all out to look their best for the occasion. They danced to music played by Harvest at the Hampton Coliseum. The prom, probably the most memorable dance of high school years, was a great success.

RIGHT: AFS student Neil Pennen enjoys a fast dance with escort Brandt Adams. BOTTOM LEFT: While the band takes a break, couples mingle to talk. BOTTOM MIDDLE: Serving refreshments are Heather Dow and Lisa McAvoy. BOTTOM RIGHT: A couple decided to take advantage of the slow music.

LEFT: Seniors enjoy talking between numbers. BELOW: Along with date Sam Granger, Francis Haynesworth decides to sit one out. BOTTOM LEFT: Starry-eyed couples sway to the soft music. BOTTOM RIGHT: A love struck couple gazes into each others eyes.

TOP LEFT: Co-captains Tracey Hixson and Monette Dutch take a rest while watching the majorettes. TOP RIGHT: Fun while cheering makes the work all worth it for Bernadette Harris, Valerie Harvey, Susan Miller, and Donna Dailey. BOTTOM LEFT: Already cheering, Donna Dailey arrives at Norfolk Catholic's field with her pom-poms. BOTTOM RIGHT: Kicking off to a good start, Ginnie McCoy displays her talent.

Spirit Leaders Rouse Pep At Games, Rallies

Preparing for hard work ahead, Ferguson's Varsity cheerleaders attended a two day camp at Lindsey Junior High as commuters. During their stay they won numerous awards, including one ribbon for excellence, two for superiority, one spirit stick, and an award of excellence. They also were awarded a megaphone by the National Cheerleader Association, who sponsored the camp.

Fundraising projects included the sale of socks and hats. Although they cheered for only two major sports, they displayed spirit and skill in dance routines and cheers.

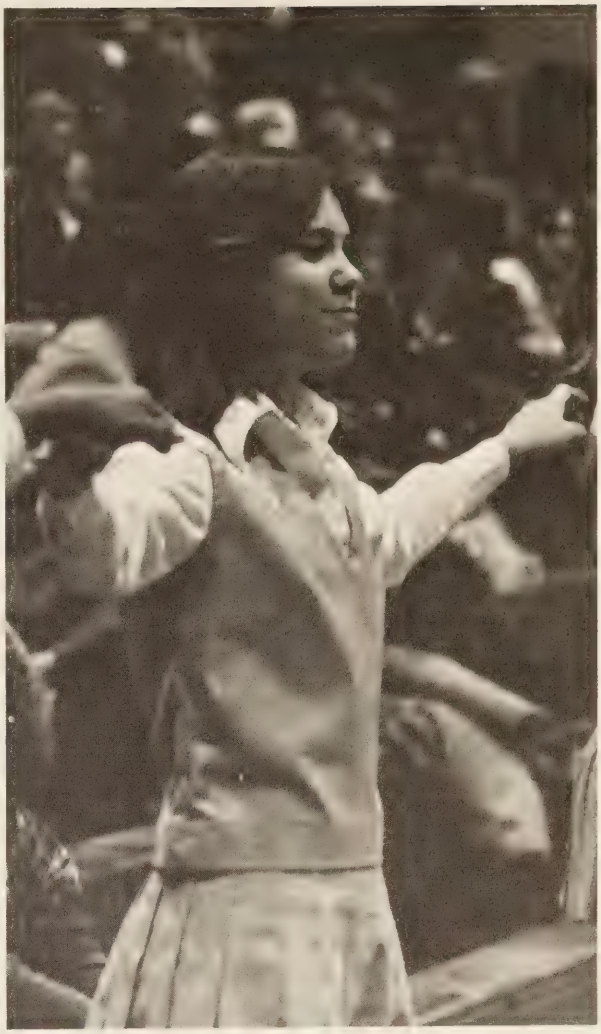
TOP LEFT: A thoughtful expression upon her face, Bernadette Harris shows her concern about the game. BOTTOM LEFT: With rain pouring down, Cheryl Green attempts to keep cheerleaders Lorri Weinstein, Donna Dailey and Bonnie Rosenbaum dry at the homecoming game. BOTTOM RIGHT: As part of the varsity cheering squad, Kathy Morris shows her spirit.

JV Cheerleaders Train For Year At Summer Camp

Working to improve themselves, the Junior Varsity Cheerleaders attended a National Cheerleader Association camp at Lindsay Junior High school. They stayed for two days, competing for awards and learning stunts. Awards earned included a plack for outstanding cheerleading, a megaphone for overall spirit, many ribbons and a spirit stick.

Fund raising included selling Ferguson hats, socks, and buttons.

TOP RIGHT: Ready to begin, Junior Varsity Cheerleaders Kathy Wegener and Jackie Krisik get into position. BOTTOM RIGHT: Spirit is kept moving by Kathy Johnson and Denise Whitaker. TOP LEFT: "Hurry up!" is the thought portrayed here as Kathy Wegener and the squad performs their stunt.

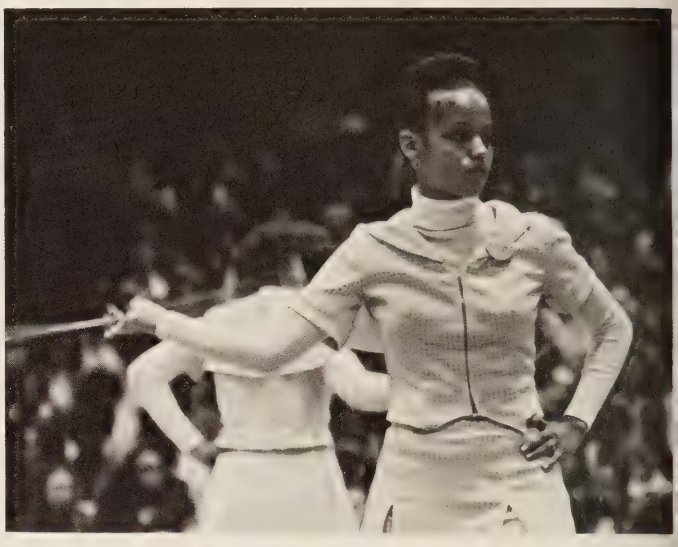


TOP LEFT: Caught in the middle of action, Alice Nettles shows herskill. BOTTOM LEFT: Keeping the sophmores high spirited, the Junior Varsity squad leads them in a cheer. TOP RIGHT: Concentrating on the cheer to come, Jackie Krisik gets in position.

Spirit Groups Entertain Crowds With Routines

Three major contributions to Ferguson's spirit were Pep Club, Drill Team, and the Majorettes. During Pep Assemblies the Pep Club cheered with the crowd and encouraged their support for school teams. Skilled Majorettes Performed to music played by the band.

In the crowded gym, and in a large field, where the grass crackled under foot because of the bitter cold, the Drill Team performed to popular music. Their steps, music, and smiles gave confidence to the roaring crowd.



TOP: Oblivious to the crowd, majorette Wanda Richardson twirls at a pep rally. MIDDLE: With determination, majorette Phyllis Johnson concentrates on her routine. BOTTOM: Closely watched by students, the Drill Team concludes their performance.

LEFT: The rain does not seem to bother Carol Kopelson or Teri Thrift as they march to the field with sparkling smiles. MIDDLE: On the night of the Homecoming Game, the Drill Team performs for half-time enjoyment. BOTTOM: Drill Team member Ann Drucker performs during a Pep Assembly.

New Members Inducted By Selective Honorary

For a group of very special seniors, December ninth was an important day. On this day they were inducted into the National Honor Society. The entire student body and some very proud parents watched intently as these students became members of this most prestigious organization.

The purpose of the organization, according to Mrs. Ora Brinkley, sponsor, "is to uphold the high standards of scholarship, leadership, service, and character associated with it." Members are encouraged to set an example for other students to follow."

Fund raising was a major effort this year. The club sold citrus fruit and held several bake sales to help finance their activities.

ABOVE: By selling popcorn during a drama production, Bonnie Hiles and Becky Richardson help raise money for the NHS treasury. RIGHT: Attending the reception for new inductees, Mrs. Jenver Brown and Mrs. Ora Brinkley are faced with the tough decision of what to eat. BELOW: Celebrating their induction into the National Honor Society, students grab a snack before going to class.

Mariner GAZETTE

1977 Halts Bicentennial

Red, white and blue pens, plaques, flags, books and stamps were only a few of the different types of articles sold in commemoration of the Bicentennial year.

The Bicentennial began with millions of enthusiastic Americans who were glad to be able to celebrate their nation's two hundredth birthday. The months slipped by and before long the big day was here. Fireworks crackled, flags flew, and America was in a very festive mood.

Then it was all over. America started turning deaf ears to the pleas of store owners trying to unload their leftovers. People were getting tired of hearing about the Bicentennial.

Students were asked their opinion on the Bicentennial and these were some of the remarks:

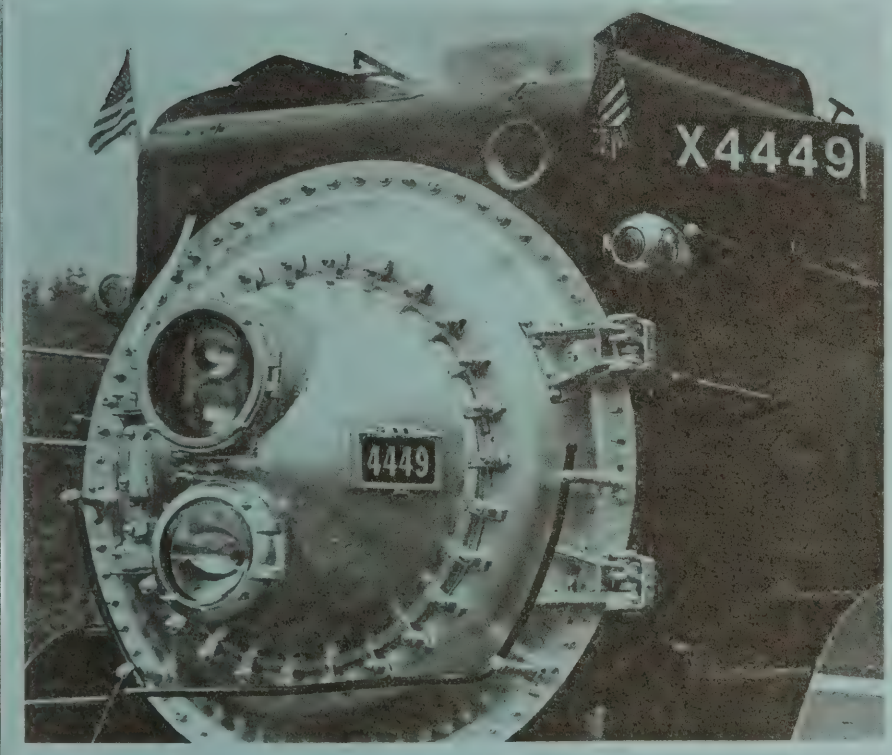
"It was nice at the beginning but after awhile it got old."

"It made me more aware of my country's past history."

"It was fun and I learned more about my country."

"You mean the B-U-Y-centennial? It was just an excuse for people to sell eagle toilet seats!"

The Bicentennial meant a lot of things to a lot of people. We learned to appreciate our nation and we learned more about our country's past. Now that the Bicentennial is over, we can relax and go back to quieter times. In years to come, we can look back to when we were students during the Bicentannial. And we can tell our children, "that's the way it was."



Arrival of the Freedom Train in Newport News brought history and over-priced souvenirs.

Carter Moves Into The White House

Probably the most drastic change this year, besides waving good-bye to the year long birthday party, was the election of a new president.

For months the American people watched debates, read articles and watched commercials about the two opposing candidates, Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter. The race was close, so close that many people did not even try to predict it. In the end Jimmy Carter won by a slight margin.

Along with the election of Carter came piles of peanut teeth and small town jokes. Products such as Jimmy Carter can-openers, wrist watches, coins, and T-shirts flooded the market.

January 20,1977 was an exciting day for the U.S. Students were able to watch the Inaguration and parade on TV sets in the Library and in some classrooms.

After the excitement was over the American people began to sit back and see if Jimmy Carter's promises of peace, prosperity, a better economy and brotherhood would come true.

ABOVE: Campaign Workers urge voters to consider Ford on election day. RIGHT: Resting between bites, a tractor prepares the courtyard for construction.

Ferguson Makes Improvements For Students

This year has been a year of changes for Ferguson. These changes included expansion and remodeling of the library, office, and guidance offices. A new greenhouse was built adjacent to room 118. For photographers, a dark room was added to the library. The drama department was favored with a new lighting system in the auditorium.

Along with all of these favorable changes came a very controversial one; the nine weeks grading period. This change included two nine weeks per semester. Many students complained that this did not let them average their grade evenly for the semester, like the three six week periods did.

The new system also included a nine weeks test instead of exams. Although this sounded easier, many students said that since only one hour was given for most tests, they were much more difficult. The exam system was evaluated by teachers at the end of the school year. They were to recommend an exam program based on their findings.

Suggestions for further changes at Ferguson given by the students included burning down the school, blowing it up and other slight changes. More drastic suggestions were having a jukebox in the cafeteria, killing the bugs, open campus at lunch for underclassmen, mirrors in the boy's bathrooms and all new English teachers.

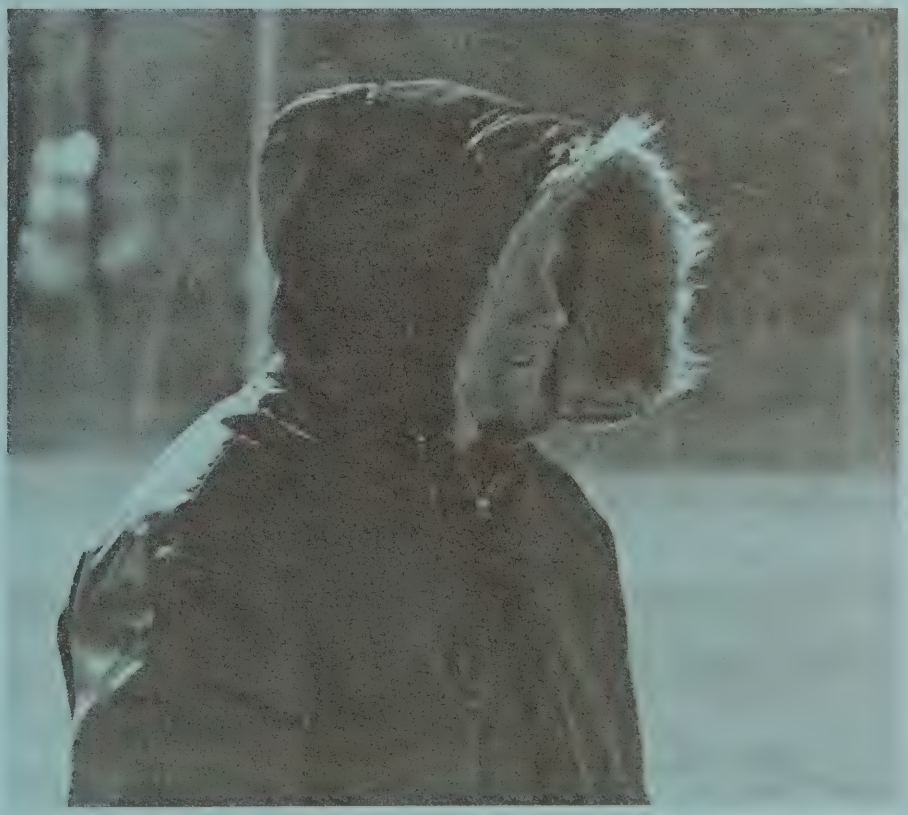
Some of these suggestions have already been put into action, and next year will include further changes for Ferguson High.

FHS FREEZES

The Big Freeze, as the winter of 1976-77 was called, left its mark all over the United States. In Florida, most of the citrus crops were ruined by freezing temperatures. In Buffalo, New Uork, eight feet of snow blanketed the city in one day. In Newton, Massachusetts, citizens were asked to pay an extra tax because their funds for snow removal were exhausted.

The Peninsula, too, lay low in the midst of any energy crunch. During the week, all the main streets were deserted by early evening. Stores and businesses economized with a 40-hour work week. In efforts to conserve fuel oil and natural gas, thermostats in homes and businesses were set at 65 degrees. The President asked the American people to set their thermostats as low as 60 or 55 degrees at night. Governor Mills Godwin declared Virginia to be in a state of emergency, resulting in the closure of industries and large numbers of unemployed people.

Ferguson was not entirely forgotten by the energy crisis and cold weather either. Two snow days, cancelled activities, and the closing of the boys' gym inconvenienced the faculty and the student body. Mariners, like the entire country, felt the bitter cold temperatures and the bite of the energy crisis.



LEFT: Warm feet are insured by Miss Fluty's booties during the energy crunch.
ABOVE: Wooly parka liner comforts chilled Soccer coach Don Coccoli.

In The Beginning . . .

As high school students, we tend to look forward to the future. We face a world that our ancestors could never have dreamed of. In the immediate future, we face college, careers, marriage, and most important, adulthood. But the past is a part of us, where our personalities and characteristics were formed. These will follow us through the rest of our lives. Memories are a most important part of us, and memories of our past years in school will remain with us for the rest of our lives also. These are some of our memories.

Everyone was quiet as the teacher began to pass report cards out. Giving my Dad my fourth grade report card was the moment I dreaded.

We used to have recess in the fifth grade even. We'd chase all the second graders off the pavement and played four-square.

In the first grade, we had to take naps. A couple of people would stay in the room while the rest went out for recess, We pretended we were asleep and after they went out we got up, ran around the room, jumped off tables, and played hide-and-seek. When the others came back, we pretended we were just waking up. We never got caught.

I will never forget the elementary school I went to in Florida. In my third grade class there were smart second graders, average third graders and slow fourth graders. Each student progressed at his own speed.

I remember an unvelievable crush I had on my first grade teacher. I used to complain about having a stomach ache just to go up to her and get a hug.

I remember the first time I ever cheated in school. It happened on the second day of first grade.

In the first few years of school, my favorite sport was kickball. Dodgeball, wiffleball, and playing on the swingsets were other activities we had, though.

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THIS TIME

The lonely old trees bend so
low to the ground their brown
and yellow leaves are falling.
The sky remains grey and cold;
the ground feels chilled.
I walk along this deserted way,
the birds are silent, but I
sing for them.
Why is there this time of year,
that lays to rest all that
lives?
Everything is changing, it's
happening so fast.
I captured a memory.

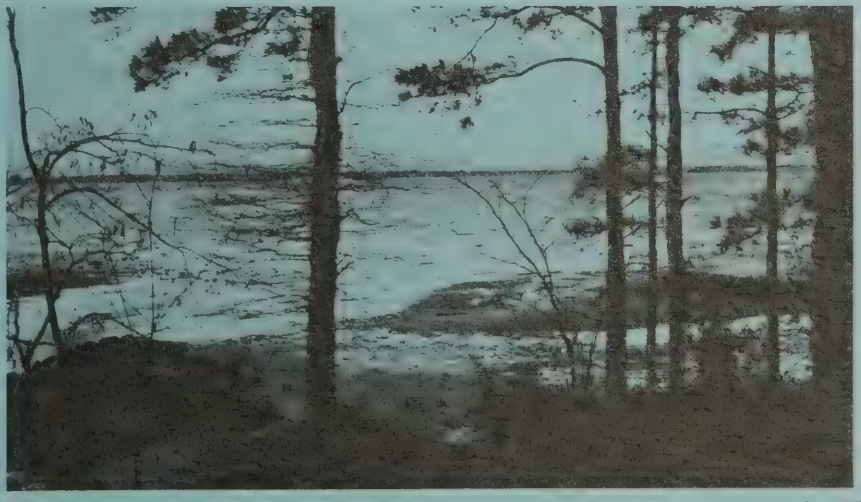
--Kathy Lynch

YESTERDAY

Yesterday a child came out to wonder. Caught a dragon fly inside a jar. Fearful when the sky was full of thunder and tearful at the falling of a star.

Then the child moved ten times around the seasons, skated over ten clear frozen streams. Words like "when you're older" must appease him and promises of "someday" make up his dreams.

--Lucinda Stickles



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The Creation By Scott Evans

The entity fleeted throughout the huge, lonely universe. It was composed of pure energy and pure thought, the thoughts of an individual who had escaped the boundaries of matter long ago. It had once been a part of a great civilization upon some distant planet; the entity couldn't actually remember the name of it. It had once had an organic body that walked on a beautiful world with peaceful mountains, green fields, animal-filled forests, and gently rolling seas. But following the wake of progress, the civilization learned how to move man's mind into humanoid robots. The human body was abandoned. They were only thoughts housed by machines that obeyed and worked just as the human body had done, but without the restrictions and nessessities of the original form. Then as time went on, they learned to leave their mechanical bodies and were able to move and control things with thought energy alone.

So here was the final step in progress; a lonely being floating through the hugeness of space.

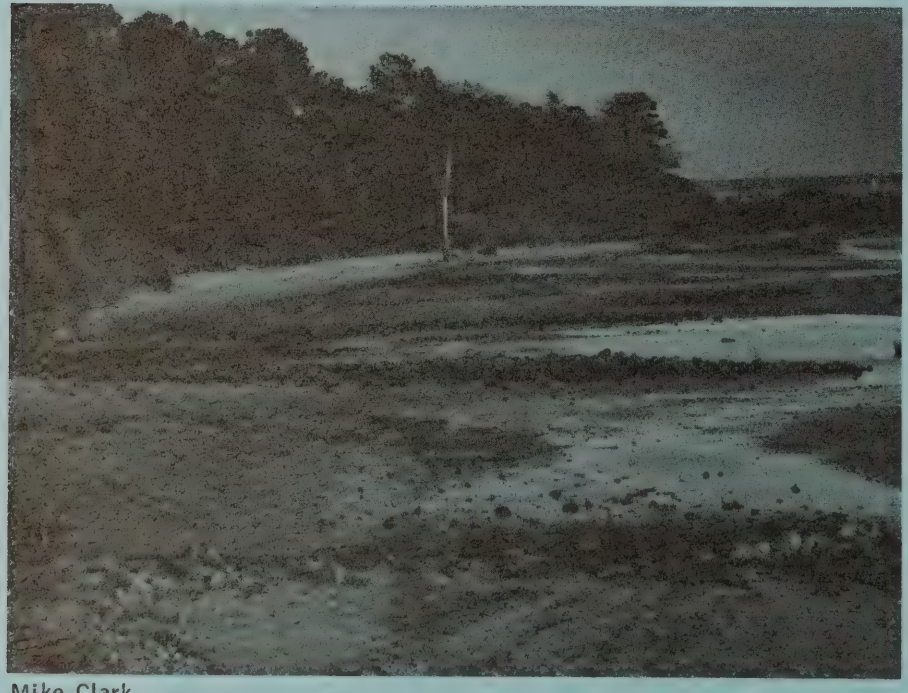
The entity was a dimensionless, invisible being with tendrils of energy that could shape a planet into a new form, or explode a star into nonexistence. It need only to think of where it wanted to go, and in a matter of seconds, it would speed through the universe and arrive at its chosen destination.

It had spent much "time" of its existence searching the cosmos for life. It had found a wide range of living beings, none of which remotely reminded the entity of its former life, the existing being yearned for its old, cherished life or at least to be close to it. The entity was so lonely in a so universe.

And now it thought. It sped silently through an awfully unending universe like the wind rushing across a wavy meadow back on its ancient home planet. It whispered past dying suns and infant suns, pasts clusters of glowing, arranged stars and cold, lifeless planets. After passing through a immense gulf of space with no up or down, it stopped on the fringes of a golden, shiny galaxy. This would be the place.

Now the entity scanned the heavens and concentrated its powers on a beautiful nebula cloud shining against the studded, black background. The nebula was a mass of swirling rivers of color, flowing and blending together with starry gems twinkling through the mist. The magnificent cloud was nothing more than a million mile stretch of different gases and dust particles suspended in space.

The entity put forth its energies upon the nebula. The colorful cloud was being compressed smaller and smaller into a denser mass. What would have taken gravity millions of years took the en-



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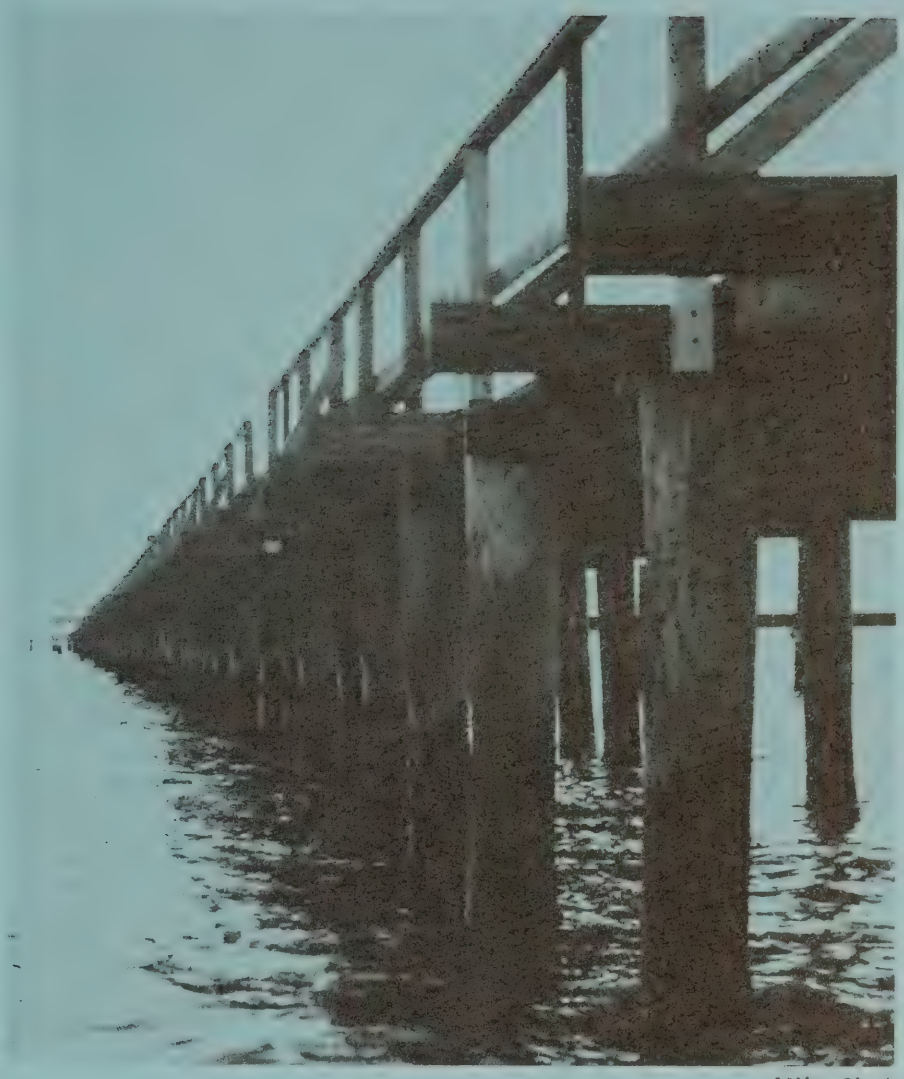
tity a few moments to create a "solar furnace" of a future star. The dead sun silhouetted against the empty, blackness of space just waiting to be ignited into fiery brillance.

Now the entity focused its powers on the entire volume of that milky galaxy. Its invisible energies radiated out like the ripples spreading away from a pebble that strikes the surface of a clear lake. The ripples of energy drew in towards itself, every asteroid, every particle of cosmic dust, and every other speck of matter that was not under the power of a great sun or planet. As it drew the pieces of matter towards its center, it also brought cooling gases emitted from suns and other nebula. Now the being had its tools to start a solar system and a new home. With a force no other existing thing possessed, the entity molded, crushed together, and shaped its gathered materials into nine planets which set into their elliptical orbits around the still unborn star. Now the entity blanketed the collected gases around the various new worlds. It had done all this with the ease of a child molding and object from clay.

The planets varied in size and distance from the gaseous clump soon to be their sun. The entity then took some chunks of galactic



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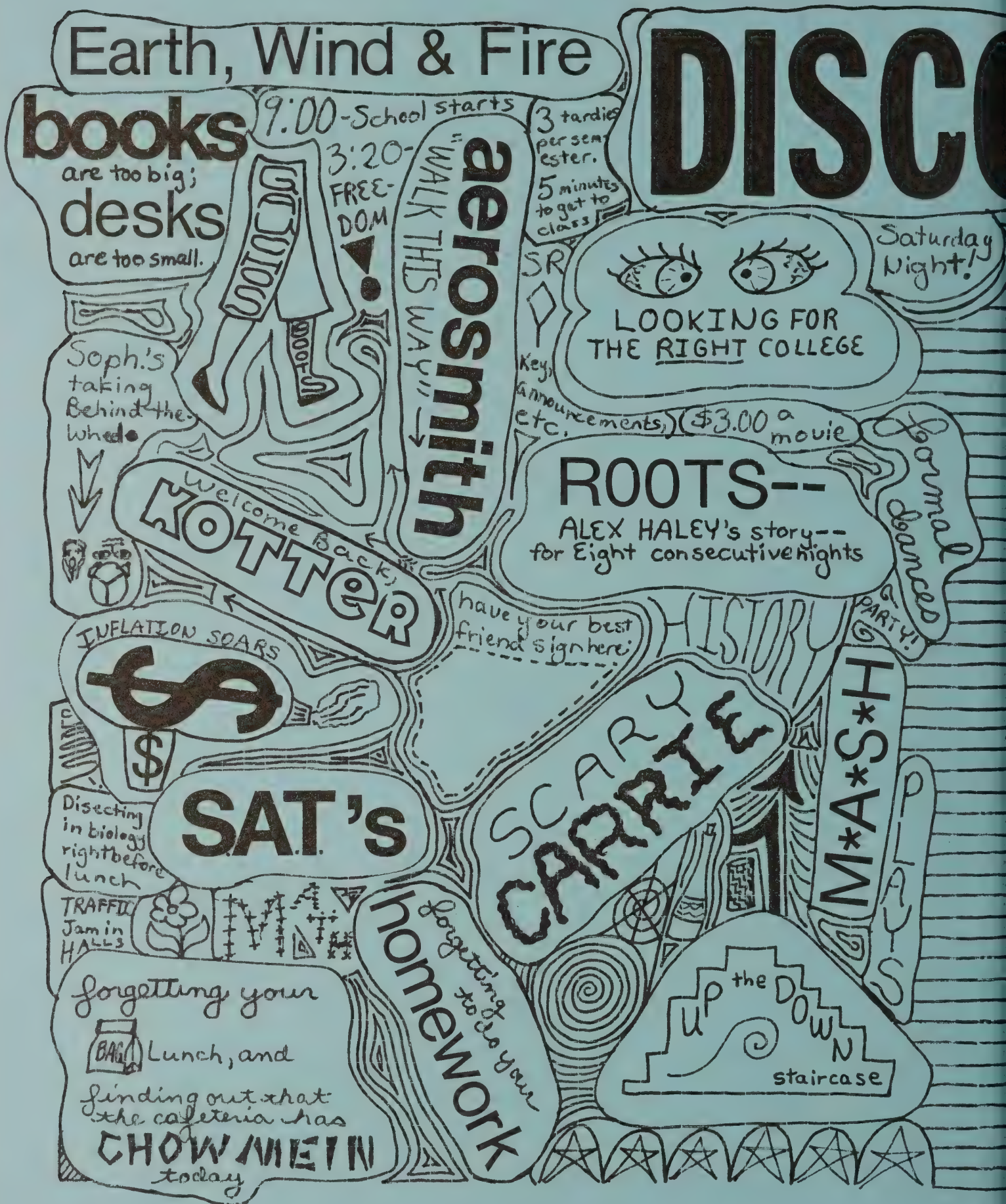
matter remaining and gave them their own orbits around the commanding planets, dead barren satellites to always stare down into the glowing face of its mother planet. The rest of the rubble was deposited between the fourth and fifth planets, floating uselessly for eternity.

The entity "looked" upon its newly created, dark, lifeless solar system. It had thought of this moment for a long time and had planned the steps it would take. The third planet would be the one. The third planet would be given the gift of life. The entity would give its life created in the image of its home planet with the beautiful landscapes, animals, and most of all, people. The entity would watch over its growing civilization for eternity. That was the closest it could get to its beloved, old life.

The entity turned to the dark, gaseous sun, and with the first step toward its new race commanded, "Let there be light!"

And . . .


Earth, Wind & Fire
DISCO
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are too big;
desks
are too small.
9:00-School starts
3:20-FREE-DOM!
3 tardies per semester.
5 minutes to get to class
aerosmith
"WALK THIS WAY"
SR
Key, announcements, etc.
Saturday Night!
LOOKING FOR THE RIGHT COLLEGE
Soph.'s taking Behind the Wheel
$3.00 a movie
formal dances
ROOTS--
ALEX HALEY's story--
for Eight consecutive nights
Welcome Back, KOTTER
have your best friend sign here!
PARTY!
INFLATION SOARS
HISTORY
SCARY
CARRIE
M*A*S*H
PLAYS
Dissecting in biology right before lunch
SAT's
TRAFFIC Jam in HALLS
forgetting to do your homework
up the DOWN staircase
forgetting your BAG Lunch, and finding out that the cafeteria has CHOW MEIN today

Juniors... prepare to become SENIORS!
Lynyrd Skynyrd
snow falls on Newport-NEWS!
FHS
Sophomores finally learn their way around the hallows halls of...
FALLING TEMPERATURES
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JRS. Get Rings
CAVALIER
YEARBOOK
CON-CERTS
Senior SLUMP
Charlie's Angels
UFO's
Spending 20 min. Searching for a bathroom with toilet
PAPER
65° inside
25° outside
40 hr. work WEEK
Jr. class DEMANDS off-Campus rights
Sr. class DEFENDS off-Campus rights.
GRADUATION → June 9th
6 or 5 or 4 classes a day
UNDERWEAR AS OVERWEAR
CARTER
BURGER
BRAVING the COLD for a CIGARETTE

Sideshow By Scott Evans

Tony was a misfit of nature born into a normal family. His body was horribly deformed, frailer and leaner, and barely weighing half of a normal person.

His parents were overtaken by shock when this grotesque infant was handed over to them at the hospital. It just couldn't be theirs! But they were kind, caring people and, when they finally adjusted they raised Tony with love despite his appearance.

Tony tried to go to public school, but the unfeeling kids tormented him, laughing at the way he sat and walked. Some would not come near him, and screamed this to the teacher in the middle of class, adding to the awful embarassment. He would return home each night to bury his head in a pillow, tears flowing down his reddened cheeks. And in bed, he would stare up at a white, endless ceiling and ask, "Why me?! Why do I have to be like this?!"

Later, Tony was placed in a private school, where the children were a little more understanding and considerate. But there was only so much understanding for something like him.

That was the worst thing to Tony, the going out in public. He hated walking down the sidewalk in town and seeing the faces fo the people passing by, their eyes staring in horrible, unbelieving wonder, the girls' heads turning away with frightened disgust at his hideous face, the quickening steps hurrying to get by, and their whispering giggles behind.

And then his parents died when Tony was twenty and he was left alone without care or love.

He had tried to get a job then, but was stopped by his handicap and the employer's prejudice. Nobody wanted to hire a freak.

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Then one naturally cloudy day, Tony was offered a job, a job as hideous as his looks. In fact, it was his appearance that got him the "job". It was with the carnival just outside of town. Tony was now a freak in a sideshow.

Tony wouldn't have taken this kind of life, but it was either that of starvation in his shabby, deteriorating apartment building downtown. The carnival fed him, along with everyone else involved there, and they let him stay in a shack behind the large tents. And at night, Tony would lay in his lumpy bed and listen to the crickets and the boomy laughter of the manager and workers while they drank cold cans of beer in a tent across the field. Tony would just stare at a barren wall and dream his own fantasy of a world where everyone was just like him.

Another day came, but the orange orb of the sun never pierced the grey overcast. What had once been a dirt field was now a place of joy. The carnival was an ocean of brightly colored tents and booths with the classical ferris wheel looming over the other dizzying, twirling, whizzing rides. When night came, the scene was transformed into a mass of moving, spinning blinking lights. An average crowd had passed through the front gates, and many figures moved amid the attractions. The happy laughter from gleeful souls and the sharp sounds of buzzers, horns, and bells drifted into the air and hung around the carnival putting everyone in a festive mood.

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Down one dirt street were the arcade booths where one could pop balloons, ring bottles, and knock down cans for a stuffed toy. The squeals of wins and near-misses rose from the booths lining the street.

At the end of the enticing row of booths was a large tent, its red canvas flapping in the wind. The sideshow. The place where nature's mistakes were displayed.

Inside, Tony stood behind bars (the bars were barriers for curious customers and for the reassurance of fearful onlookers) watching the faces go by, the same faces he had always seen before. He watched the pitiful grimaces and unbelieving stares and each time, Tony clenched his teeth and squeezed his eyes shut so that the tears might not flow down his face. And he would blink and watch through misty, watery eyes and a tear would etch its way down his cheek.

The barker's voice was loud and sharp and cut through the other sounds like a knife. "Come see the seven-foot rat. You won't believe it," he shouted from his pedestal outside the sideshow tent. "See the two-headed cow. See the dog-faced boy." A small crowd gathered and milled curiously around the barker. "Guaranteed your money back that nothing is faked."

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Three boys stood around listening intently. "Well, are you going in, Warren?" one said to another.

"No way," Warren replied. "How about you, Kelly?"

"Sure, why not?" Kelly boastfully answered among the amazed stares of his friends. He bravely turned, marched over, and gave the man his coin, then disappeared through the opening into the tent.

Kelly slowed his marching pace when he entered. The interior was bathed in red light, engulfing and stifling him once he was inside. Columns of white light shone down where the "attractions" stood. The columns were scattered at random around the tent so that there everywhere one walked, there was something hideous in sight leaving no escape. The whole room gave off an evil, scary feeling and it was spookier than Kelly had thought. He hurried through the sea of red, his head darting about, not very anxious to see the other freaks described outside, when he clanged into the bars of another cage. His head jerked up and his eyes stared into the tearful face of Tony. Tony stared down through clouded eyes at the all too familiar sight of a boy recoiling in repulsive terror. At first, Kelly could just gape and stare, his eyes riveted to this horribly unbelievable freak. Then he turned and ran.

"What's the matter?" Thomas said mockingly. "You look a little pale."

"Yeah," Warren followed. "Too scary for you?"

Kelly ignored their comments. "It was unbelievable," he managed to get out between gasps for breath. "It was horrible looking."

"What was horrible looking?" Warren inquired.

"That thing in there," he gasped. "It's body was whitish with tiny hairs covering it! Its body ended and from there on, it stood on two, long limbs with flat ends!"

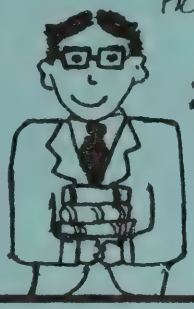
The others cringed at the thought, their slitted mouths gasping and their large, pink eyes bulging from their green, neckless heads.

Kelly continued, his tentacles waving frantically in the air, "It had two more limbs sticking out of its body that ended in five . . . ah . . . five . . . little things! And its head was grotesque. Its ears and nose stuck OUT from its head and the eyes were small and white with black dots in the middle. And water was coming out of its eyes!!" He paused, then went on. "Its mouth was big, round, and deep. There was a big clump of hair on top of its head!" Kelly stopped and let his frightening words sink in.

After a pause, Kelly added, "Now if you had seen that, you'd have been running too." Warren and Thomas were silent.

And with that the three turned and their thickly-covered, hairy bodies waddled away, tenacles hanging limp by their sides.

ON THE AVERAGE SCHOOL DAY, HE'S MILD MANNERED, MELVIN HORNSBY.



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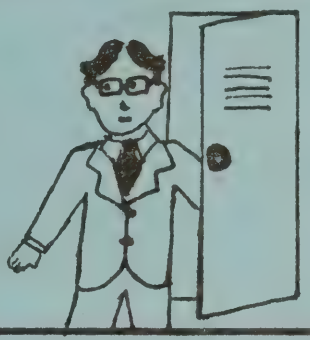
ON THE DAY OF A FOOTBALL OR BASKETBALL GAME...

HE DISAPPEARS INTO AN EMPTY HALL LOCKER...



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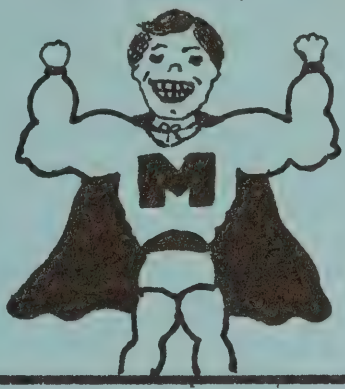
MARINER MAN!!



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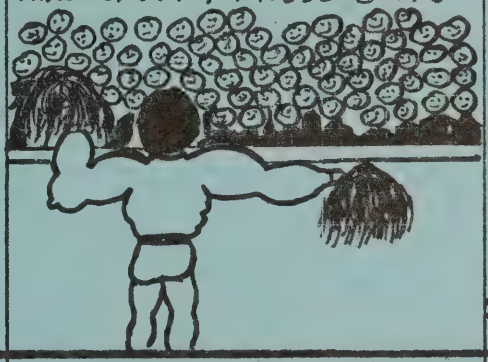
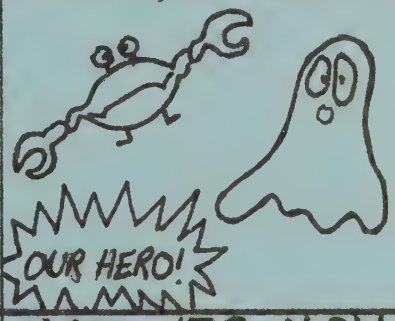
LOUDER THAN A HEAD CHEERLEADER

ABLE TO INSPIRE SPIRIT THROUGHOUT PEP ASSEMBLIES



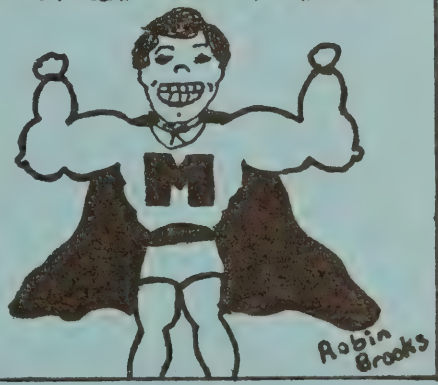
HIS JOB... TO FIGHT OFF THE EVIL FORCES OF CRABBERS, PHANTOMS, AND MONARCHS.



SO BEWARE OF THOSE WHO WALK THE HALLS OF FERGUSON HIGH SCHOOL...

THEY TOO COULD BE...

MARINER MAN!!



STARS* *The Mariners' Choice Awards

In January of 1977, Ferguson students completed an Annual-Staff Survey. Here are your favorite groups, concerts, songs, and movies as determined by the survey.

GROUP

1. Earth, Wind and Fire
2. Lynyrd Skynyrd
3. Aerosmith
4. Chicago
5. Led Zeppelin
6. Eagles
7. Beach Boys
8. Kiss
9. Rose Royce
10. Firefall

CONCERT

1. Lynyrd Skynyrd
2. Earth, Wind and Fire
3. Beach Boys
4. Marshall Tucker
5. Parliament
6. Chicago
7. Aerosmith
8. Doobie Brothers
9. O'Jays
10. Peter Frampton

SONGS

1. Free Bird--Lynyrd Skynyrd
2. Do You Feel Like I Do--Peter Frampton
3. Dazz--Brick
4. I Wish--Stevie Wonder
5. Tonight's the Night--Rod Stewart
6. Play That Funky Music--Wild Cherry
7. Walk This Way--Aerosmith
8. Cinderella--Firefall
9. Saturday Night--Earth, Wind and Fire
10. Enjoy Yourself--Jacksons

ALBUMS

1. Spirit--Earth, Wind and Fire
2. Songs in the Key of Life--Stevie Wonder
3. Toys in the Attic--Aerosmith
4. Frampton Comes Alive--Peter Frampton
5. One More From the Road--Lynyrd Skynyrd
6. A Star is Born--Cast of Film
7. Endless Summer--Beach Boys
8. Clones of Dr. Funkenstine--Dr. Funkenstine
9. Fly Like an Eagle--Steve Miller
10. Silk Degrees--Boz Scaggs

1. CARRIE--Sissy Spacek gave a classic performance as a repressed high-school senior whose energy was released only through telekinetic powers. Also starred John Travolta of "Kotter" fame.
2. A STAR IS BORN--Barbara Streisand and Kris Kristofferson as lovers in this story about a star on her way to the top.
3. SILVER STREAK--Gene Wilder and Richard Pryor, fun and excitement on board a passenger train.
4. CAR WASH--Franklin Ajaye starred in a story about a typical day in a Los Angeles car wash. Also Richard Pryor as "Daddy Rich".
5. SILENT MOVIE--Mel Brooks at his best in a story about a reforming-alcoholic film director. Gene Wilder, Marty Feldman, and special appearances by a crowd of stars.
6. KING KONG--Jeff Brudges and Jessica Lange starred in a remake of the original version.
7. THE ENFORCER--Clint Eastwood starred as Dirty Harry, the San Francisco police inspector who was a law unto himself.
8. THE PINK PANTHER STRIKES AGAIN--Another episode of the clumsy Inspector Clouseau played by Peter Sellers.
9. CUCKOO'S NEST--Excellent dipiction of a mental institution and the one man who tried his best to break down the hard-hearted nurse. Jack Nicholson stars in his Oscar-winning role.
10. J.D.'s REVENGE

MORE STARS

11. The Omen
12. Cooley High
13. The Exorcist
14. Logan's Run
15. Young Frankenstein
16. Funny Lady
17. Bingo Long
18. Aloha, Bobby And Rose
19. Blazing Saddles

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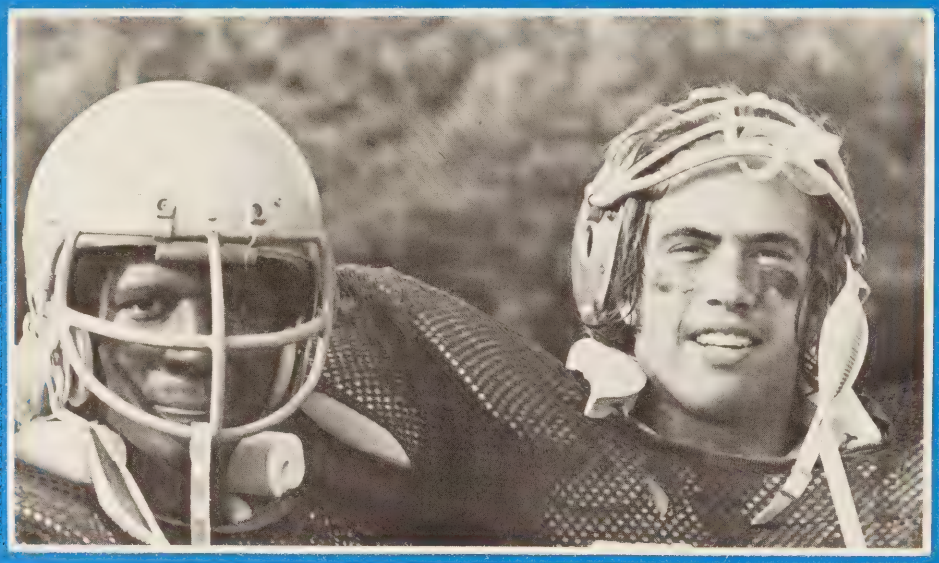
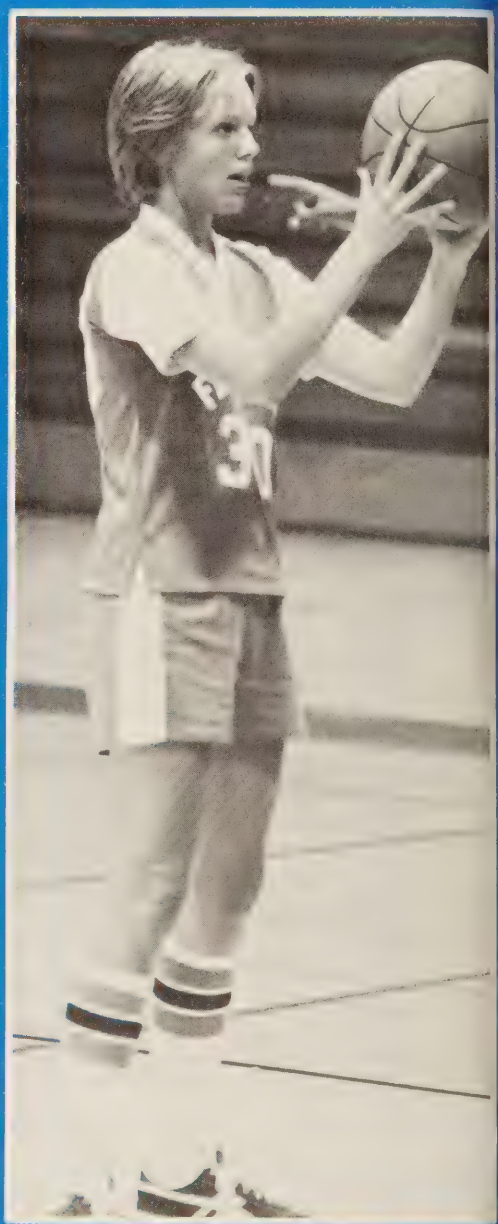
LEFT: Standing very still, Mary Ann Grubbs smiles as she gets measured for her graduation gown. RIGHT: Symbol of her coming graduation, a senior proudly dispalys her ring.

OUR COMPETITION





ABOVE LEFT: After a hard workout, David Dixon and Tom Hall show the Mariner spirit of friendly cooperation. LEFT: A player has been injured, and Coach Cislo voices his concern to the referee. ABOVE: Intense concentration is necessary as Beth Breckinridge aims for a foul shot.

"M-A-R-I-N-E-R-S, we're the best of all of the rest!"

The singing shook the roof of the gym as loyal Mariners shouted their allegiance. Battle cries added to the spirited determination of Ferguson's athletes. Encouraged by their fellow Mariners, the teams headed out onto the field, court, track, or diamond determined to do their best. There were disappointments, but they faded behind the moments of glory. Was it a good year? Ask an athlete.

TOP: During a hockey game, Kim Coarley waits for a chance to block an opponent's goal. ABOVE: Football players watch the action on the field as intently as spectators. LEFT: A Ferguson player's muddy feet tell the story of the Homecoming game. RIGHT: Team members stand on the bench to get a better view of the game.

girls' team **crunches** opposition

Last year, the female tennis players at Ferguson got a team of their own. Teri Goad, Sarah Clayton, and Kasey Hughes had been playing on the boys' varsity team and, along with Susan Hunt, were vital players on the new girls' tennis team. The team, in its first year, proved itself well to the rest of us Mariners. They took the State Group AAA scholastic girls' championship and finished their season with fourteen wins and no losses.

ABOVE--Girls' Tennis Team: Susan Miller, Jennifer Jackson, Susan Hunt, Heather Dow, Sarah Clayton, Teri Goad, Janet Murray, Kasey Hughes, Coach Carol Frenck, Coach Jack Armistead.

RIGHT--Squinting into the sun, Kasey Hughes awaits her opponent's serve.

WE		THEY
9	Phoebus	0
8	Denbigh	1
8	Kecoughtan	1
9	Menchville	0
9	Pembroke	0
9	Hampton	0
8	Warwick	1
9	Lafayette	0
8	H.R.A.	1
9	Bayside	0
9	Hampton	0
5	Woodson	4
5	Freeman	4

TOP--Using a unique style, Susan Hunt sends the tennis ball back to her opponent.

ABOVE--Concentration shows on Sarah Clayton's face as she rushes across the court to return an opponent's hit.

ABOVE LEFT: Tackling the runner, Tom Hall regains posession of the ball for Ferguson. ABOVE RIGHT: After an unsuccessful pass attempt, Tom Hall finds himself seated on the playing field. BELOW LEFT: Working for a homecoming victory, David Dixon discusses play strategy with Coach Harlan Hott. BELOW RIGHT: Reaching for the ball, Arthur Williams intercepts a Crabber pass and momentarily disrupts their steady progress.

SCOREBOARD

WE		THEY
28	Maggie Walker	13
6	Phoebus	0
15	Menchville	7
6	Denbigh	24
12	Lafayette	24
0	Hampton	21
20	Norfolk Catholic	3
14	Kecoughtan	20
10	Bethel	38
7	Warwick	8

WON 4 LOST 6 TIED 0

Injuries Knock Mariner Season Hopes Overboard

With a score of 28-13, Ferguson defeated Maggie Walker and thus began what appeared to be a promising season for the Varsity Football team. The next two games were also Mariner victories. Phoebus lost by six points and Menchville by eight. The season looked like a winning one.

Depression followed the next game when the Denbigh Patriots went away victorius by eighteen points. Several key players were injured. Team spirit was still good, but the disappointment hit hard.

The next two games, including the homecoming game against Hampton, were also losses. A win was badly needed to boost team morale. Lady Luck was on the Mariner side. In the next game they defeated Norfolk Catholic by seventeen points.

With high spirits the Mariner team charged into the game against Kecoughtan. They fought hard for victory, but were defeated. Depression was again felt by the team.

The last two games were also losses; Bethel being the worst defeat of the year. The game against Warwick was close but the Raiders also proved themselves superior.

Although there were many handicaps affecting their performance, the Mariners remained a team eager to win.

ABOVE: While attempting to block a punt, Steve Presgraves(54) is hit hard by a Norfolk Catholic lineman. BELOW: Following a disastrous play, Jesse Moore receives medical attention from Michael Powell.

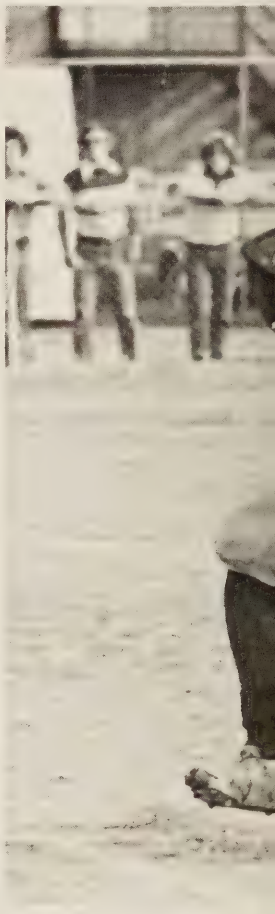
Courageous Team Fights In Spite Of Depression

"We had good talent and a team that looked forward to a championship season. The injuries and the bad breaks we suffered during the games were the main factors in our disappointing season," said Varsity Football Coach Harlan Hott. The season record of 4-6 was a depressing one for the coaches, players and the student body.

Key players worked hard to keep the team winning but the handicaps were too great to overcome. The loss of Willie Bell and Reginald Carpenter to injuries hurt the team badly. Minor injuries that kept players from practicing also affected their performance greatly during games.

Although the season was a losing one, the team produced several outstanding players. Defensive back Tom Hall, offensive back David Dixon, nose guard Alan Lowe, and offensive and defensive tackle Jesse Moore were all highly recruited by major colleges.

Hott remarked that this was one of the most courageous groups of players that he has been privleged to coach. He also said that the student body was behind them all the way.



ABOVE: With a cautious eye on the opposition, Darnell Pittman heads for six of the twenty Mariner points against Maggie Walker. BELOW: Despite the efforts of Brent Johnson, Hampton completes a pass during the homecoming game.

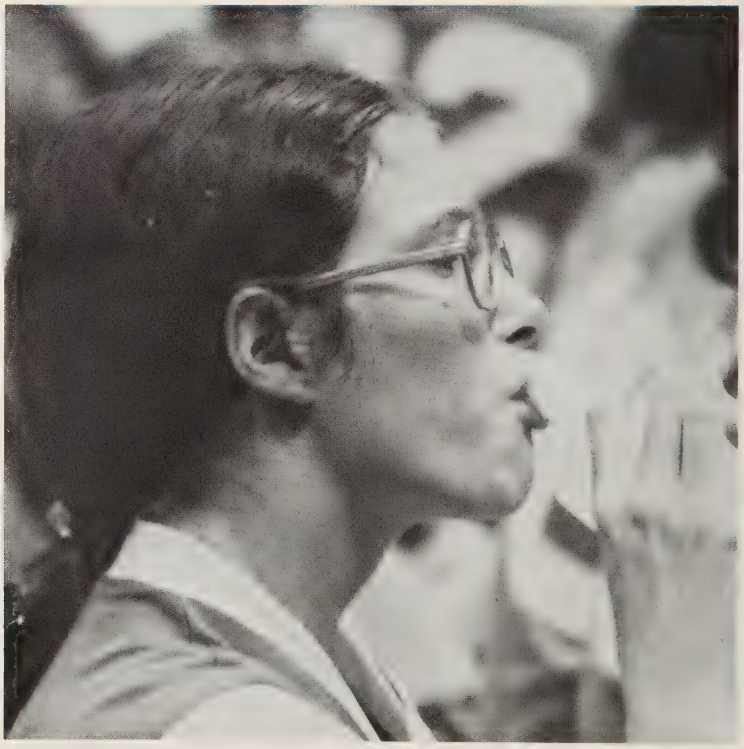
ABOVE: Handing the ball to Darnell Pittman, Arthur Williams prepares for his downfall. BELOW LEFT: With reassurance fron David Dixon, Tyvan Campbell begins his run for the Norfolk Catholic goal line. BELOW RIGHT: During half time, Coach Harmon listens intently as Robert Evans explains his solution to a problem.

Girl's Have Winning Season; Lose In District

Although it was a rebuilding season, the girls' basketball team was successful. They achieved their goal in making fourth place in the district, and making the district tournament with a 9-7 regular season record. Unfortunately, they suffered a defeat in the tournament and their season record ended at 9-8. Coach Walters explained that he had hoped the team would be better. "We lacked in experience and consistancy in our play, but we won the key games when we had to, which was the major factor in our success," he said. The attitude of the team had its ups and downs during the season, but it remained one solid group.

Leading the team with scores and rebounds was Prissy Hudson. Defensive leaders were Diane Davis and Peaches Terry, they used their experience in key situations. Becky Richardson, Debra Blakeney, Melissa Collins and Ann Switenburg were the most improved players.

Next year with the continued play of Louis Merdock, Sonya Pickney, Adrian Thompson, Jeanette McMillan and Dale Kates the girls should be a top contender.



ABOVE: Ferguson and Kecoughtan fight for the ball at tip-off. RIGHT: On the bench for a brief rest, Becky Richardson sips water.

Girl's Basketball

F.H.S		THEY
23	Lafayette	33
51	Kecoughtan	25
24	Phoebus	39
57	Menchville	46
51	Bethel	35
42	Warwick	45
46	Denbigh	42
31	Hampton	66
57	Lafayette	39
42	Kecoughtan	33
29	Phoebus	51
65	Menchville	38
58	Bethel	44
28	Warwick	45
62	Denbigh	24
40	Hampton	53

District Tounament

31	Phoebus	64

WON 9 LOST 8

TOP: Unable to stop the opposition, Sonya Pickney and Beth Breckenridge wait to see if the shot is good. LEFT: Working for the team, even from the bench, Sonya Pickney cheers to boost team morale. ABOVE: Caught in mid-air, Ferguson tries to get the rebound.

Junior Varsity Team Second In District; New Soccer Team Does Well In First Season

With a record of 6-1-1, this year's Junior Varsity Football team was the best in Ferguson's history. Aided by key players Mark Harrell, Jimmy Livengood, Daryle Wilson, and Anthony Pittman, they obtained a second place finish in the league.

"The guys did a remarkable job and I am proud of the," said Coach John Quillin. He remarked that the team had a lot of character and unity and that he believed that this was a decisive factor in the team's performance.

Injuries were the greatest handicap to the team. Receivers Danny Womack and Kevin Banks were both injured in the championship game between Ferguson and Bethel. Quillin said that he believed the loss of these two players cost them the game.

Although their record of 3-4-4 was not as good as anticipated, the newly formed Mariner soccer team played well. Defense was their strong point. The forwards were good but lacked the badly needed "punch." The midfielders did a good job of making the transition from offense to defense and helped both the forwards and fullbacks.

The team generally outplayed their opponents. They should be in the top of the league next year.

J.V. FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

WE		THEY
14	Kecoughtan	8
18	Menchville	16
10	Bethel	12
14	Denbigh	0
14	Warwick	6
14	Hampton	14
20	Phoebus	8
14	LaFayette	6

WON 6 LOST 1 TIED 1

ABOVE: Anxiously awaiting their turn to play, fellow teammates look on as Ricky Monger prepares to enter the game. BELOW: Unity is clearly displayed as the Mariners work for another of their six victories.

SOCCER SCOREBOARD

WE		THEY
1	Denbigh	1
0	Lafayette	0
0	Menchville	0
1	Warwick	0
1	Kecoughtan	3
0	Phoebus	1
1	Denbigh	1
1	Lafayette	2
2	Menchville	1
4	Warwick	3
0	Kecoughtan	3

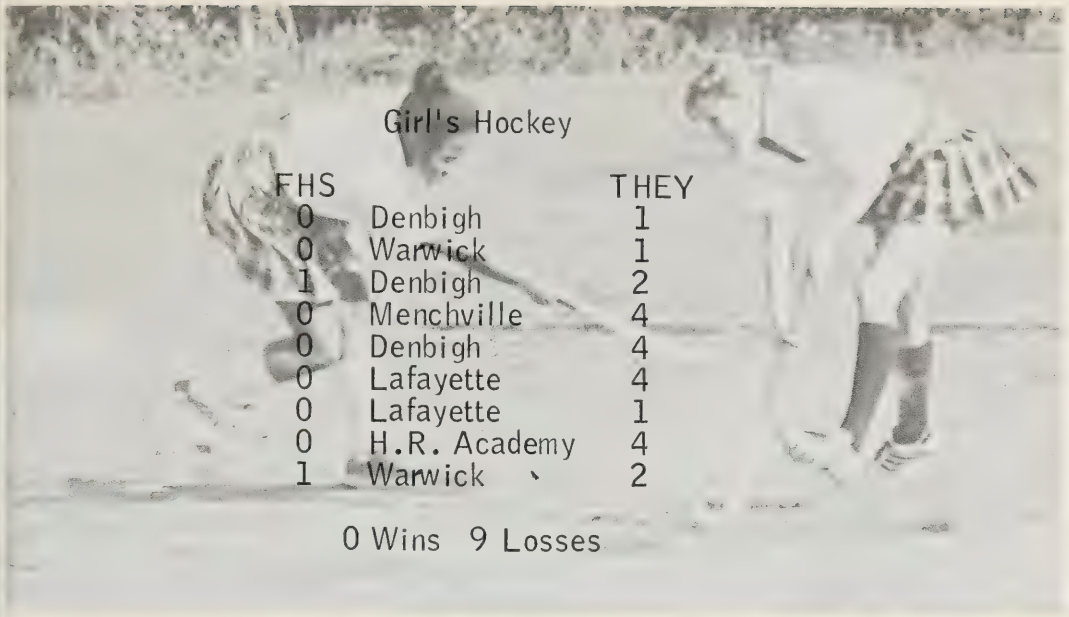
WON 3 LOST 4 TIED 4

ABOVE LEFT: Having successfully completed a pass, Mike Dreybus waits to see if his effort is rewarded with a goal. ABOVE RIGHT: Huddeling in the freezing cold, players watch as teammates strive for another win. BELOW LEFT: Stopping for a short rest, Rusty Moore anaylizes the situation at hand. BELOW RIGHT: After an unsuccessful pass attempt, Steve Binder regains posession of the ball and tries again to get it past his opponent.

Winless Girl's Hockey Team Keeps On Trying

Never seeing a victory, the field hockey team got off to a rather sluggish season. Even with a 0-9 record, the team had a better year than in the past, as all the games were close. Coach Masters gives the credit to all the girls. Their attitude and willingness to win were the major key. The one player who pushed the hardest on the foreward line was Diane Calleson. Other excellent players were Becky Mausteller, Vicky Mathews, Debbie Henderson and Linda Maguire. Coach Masters is expecting more progress in the future. However, the team has to be rebuilt next year, because most of the team were seniors.

Dale Jennings swings her stick, stealing the ball from her opponent. BELOW LEFT: Drinking from the water jug, Becky Maustella quinches her thirst after an exhausting game. BELOW RIGHT: Ready to score, Vicky Mathewson drives the ball through her opponents hoping to score.



Girl's Hockey

FHS		THEY
0	Denbigh	1
0	Warwick	1
1	Denbigh	2
0	Menchville	4
0	Denbigh	4
0	Lafayette	4
0	Lafayette	1
0	H.R. Academy	4
1	Warwick	2

0 Wins 9 Losses

ABOVE LEFT: Agonizing over the hockey team's efforts against strong competition, Coach Bertharine Francis wishes for a Ferguson goal. ABOVE RIGHT: Through Sportsmanship and friendship, Hope Thompson from Hampton Roads Academy and Becky Maustella share a smile after an exhausting game. BELOW: "Ray! Ray! Hockey!" The girls chant as they lift their spirits to face another match.

RIGHT: Runners from Ferguson and Phoebus compete in first meet. BELOW: Leading the way Joey Keyes and Craig Underhill run for victory. BELOW LEFT: In first meet Ferguson and Phoebus run for endurance. BELOW RIGHT: Team captain Joey Keyes lifts victory trophy to the cheering crowd.

LEFT: Practicing for the Indoor Track team David Dixon jumps hurdles. BOTTOM: At the start of a meet Ferguson runners in white shirts break even with competitors then move to front of the pack.

Track Wins District Second In Regionals

Fielding the best team of runners in five years, the Cross Country team were the district champions. Fifteen guys came out for the team and twelve were still running when the season began.

Under the leadership of a new coach, Dirl Riddle, the team finished with a seasonal record of 8-0. "We were the District champs breaking Menchville's four year record," said lead runner Joey Keyes. The team also placed a strong second in the Reginals even though it was one of the youngest teams in the area.

All the Cross-Country team members also participated on the indoor track team. The indoor team placed third in the district meet and fifth in the Reginals.

Gymnastics Team Struggles; Wrestling Team Excells

Considering the fact that the wrestling team was composed mostly of younger, less experienced members, their district record of 7-2 was an outstanding one. Although the team lacked the badly needed experience, every member put forth one-hundred percent effort.

Light weight wrestlers were the team's strong point. Captain Pomeroy Brinkley, Co-captain Paul Jackson, John Allen, Garland Mosley, and Danny Hargraves were the leading scorers. The heavy weight wrestlers were good but there were not enough of them.

Coaches Virgil King and Don Coccoli were major assets to the team's success. Their hard work and inspiration kept the team going. "The coaches were the backbone of the team," said Pomeroy Brinkley, "We could not have done it witout them."

Even though they only won one match, the gymnastics team showed a promising future. They had the ability to place high in the district, but the lack of good equipment prevented much of the badly needed practice.

Teri Gooding and Miss Sylvia Walker coached the girls. Veteran teammembers Kelly Rourke and Julie Vaughan along with several ninth graders from Newport News Intermediate showed good potential.

WRESTLING SCOREBOARD

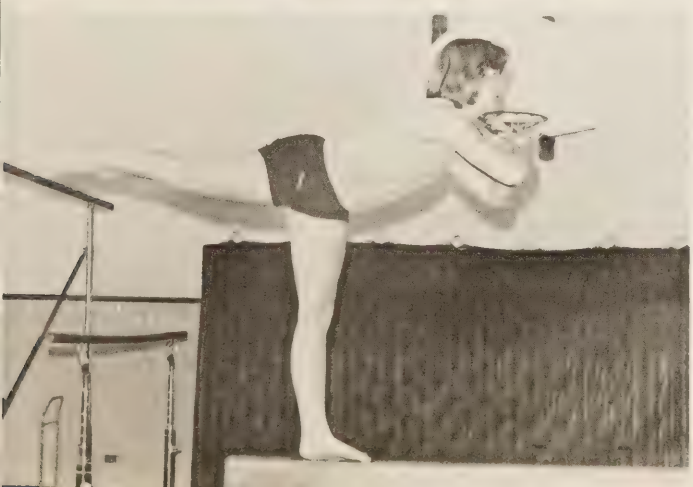
WE		THEY
37	Booker T.	17
52	Phoebus	12
35	Warwick	18
5	Menchville	45
30	Kecoughtan	27
6	Kempsville	49
15	Bethel	43
34	Hampton	16
58	Lafayette	5
35	Denbigh	21

WON 7 LOST 3

TOP LEFT: Struggling to get his man down on the mat, Allen Ellison works for a pin. TOP RIGHT: Twisting his opponent's legs, Paul Jackson tries to get him on his back. MIDDLE: In position for a takedown, Robert Jackson waits for the referee's signal. RIGHT: Waiting for the referee's count, Robert Jackson holds him man in the pinned position.

GYMNASTICS SCOREBOARD

BHS	86	LHS	72	FHS	76
DHS	180	WHS	168	FHS	103
PHS	120	DHS	186	FHS	78
WHS	168	HHS	138	FHS	113
MHS	192	KHS	183	FHS	82



TOP LEFT: With a look of dtermination on her face, Roslyn Smith vaults the horse. TOP RIGHT: Practicing her handstand, Lesette Bradley builds muscle coordination. MIDDLE LEFT: A good sense of balance is essential as Kelly Rourke practices on the beam. MIDDLE RIGHT: Diligent practice is required as Debbie Wilkins perfects her routine on the uneven parallells. LEFT: Displaying gracefullness and poise, Ann Mayhew practices on the balance beam.

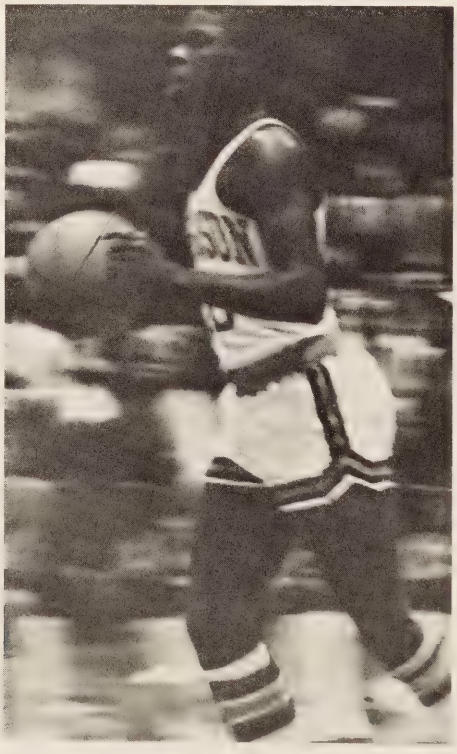
Varsity Team Excells Despite Inexperience

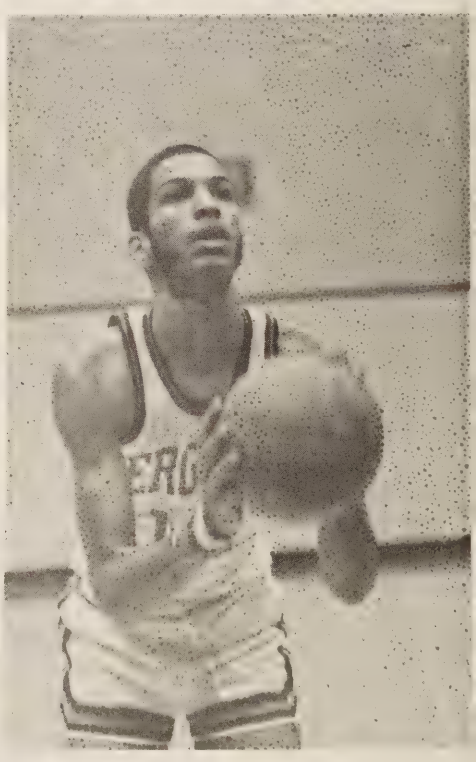
Although handicapped by height and experience, the 1976-77 Varisty Basketball team finished third in the league. The team's desire and determination to win were major elements of their success.

The fifteen man squad was composed of six seniors and nine juniors. Starting guards Charlie Peoples and Larry "Spook" Williams were considered two of the strongest in the league. Vernon "Sam" Alston and James "Chuckie" Knight aided the team with their excellent shooting.

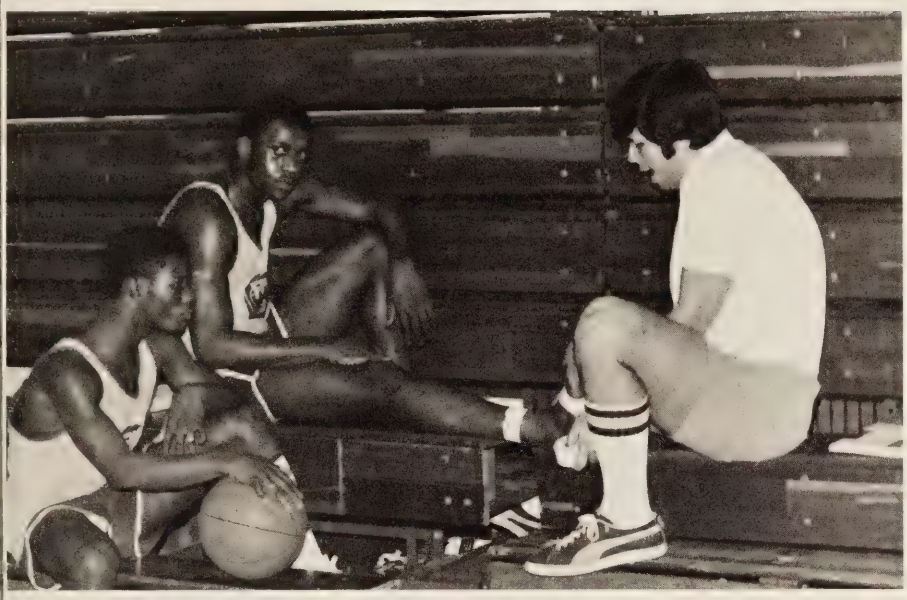
Batteling the boards for rebounds, Frank James, Tom Hall and Gerald "Mad Dog" Moore made their contribution. Rebounds were an asset to the team because they started the "fastbreak" which was a Mariner Specialty.

Coach George Walters was very pleased about the team's success. "They hustled in every game and they really wanted to win," he said.





ABOVE: Sharpening his shooting skills, J.V. player Danny Womack prepares himself for the Varsity team. BELOW LEFT: Passing the ball up to a teammate, Charlie Peoples sets up a play which awards the Mariners two points. BELOW RIGHT: With a look of deep concentration, Frank James prepares to sink a basket.

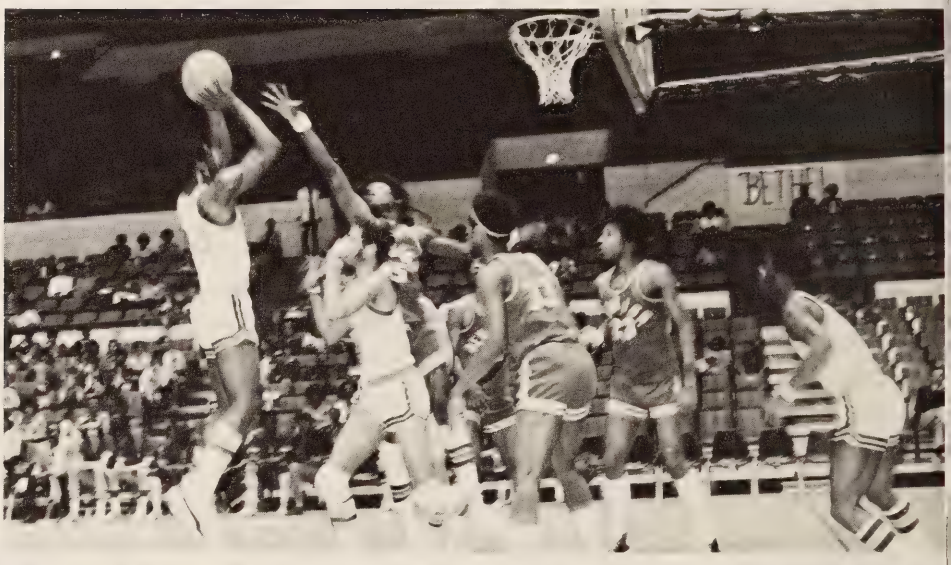


ABOVE: Stopping for a short rest, Larry Williams watching as Vernon Alston receives medical attention from Coach Walters. BELOW LEFT: Keeping the ball away from his opponent, Gerald Moore looks for an open teammate. BELOW RIGHT: Cheering for her team, Debbie Lewis shows her school spirit.

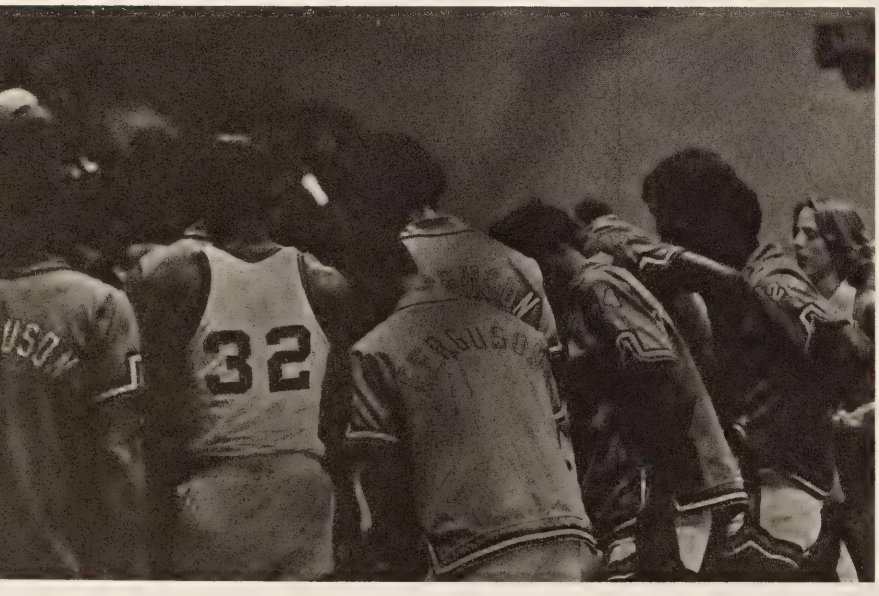
VARSITY BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

WE		THEY
50	Kecoughtan	45
79	Bethel	58
48	Lafayette	49
65	Warwick	62
59	John Marshall	76
95	Lake Taylor	78
88	Denbigh	69
56	John Marshall	47
70	Hampton	75
70	Denbigh	58
67	Phoebus	75
48	Menchville	66
69	Kecoughtan	50
82	Bethel	59
71	Warwick	67
51	Lafayette	28
64	Hampton	62
60	Menchville	68
63	Denbigh	56
72	Phoebus	79

WON 13 LOST 7



TOP: Unguarded and in the clear, Vernon Alston sinks a basket. RIGHT: As Frank James and Larry Williams watch, Vernon Alston goes up for a shot. BELOW LEFT: Gathering in a huddle, the entire team listens carefully as Coach Walters explains game strategy. BELOW RIGHT: With full concentration on the job at hand, Vernon Alston makes a foul shot.



Mariner Team Captures District Championship

With a district record of 13-7, the Varsity Basketball team finished a successful and challenging season. This accomplishment earned them a place in the Peninsula District Tournament where they emerged the champions.

The first two games really got the Mariners off to a good start. At the expence of Kecoughtan and Bethel, Ferguson came away victorius. Their third game against Lafayette was a loss but their disappointment diminished when they came back and beat Warwick by three.

As the season progressed, the team seemed to follow a pattern of winning a couple of games and then losing one. They never won more than five straight games. The losses, however, seemed to help them more than they hurt them. They pointed out mistakes being made and helped the team strengthen its weaknesses.

Several outstanding players were produced. Vernon Alston, Larry Williams, and Charlie Peoples joined players from Phoebus, Hampton, and Menchville to make up the All-Tournament team. Charlie Peoples was also voted the honor of being the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

The Mariners went on to play Craddock for the regional title.

ABOVE: Chucky Knight (34) watches as Don Alexander tries to block a shot. BELOW: Charlie Peoples shouts a warning as Larry Williams makes a layup during the tournament game against Denbigh.

ABOVE: Concentrating on his target, Stanley Payne puts the ball in motion. MIDDLE: Fulfilling their job, Greg Russ (52) and Anthony Pittman (10) cover their opponent closly. RIGHT: Arguing with the referee, Coach Cundiff tries to reverse his decision.

13-0 Record Puts J.V. Team In First Place

Led by high scorer Grant Robinson, the '76-'77 Junior Varsity basketball team took first place in the district with a 13-0 record. Togetherness, along with a lot of hard work, was the major reason for their outstanding season.

Grant Robinson let the offense with an average of seventeen points per game. He was followed by Anthony Pittman and Danny Womack with sixteen and Bernard Miller with thirteen.

Greg Russ led the defensive team with an average of twelve rebounds.

Another asset to the team's performance was the outstanding job done by Coach Ernie Cundiff. His leadership qualities and knowledge of the game are what made the team the success it was.

ABOVE: In order to gain height over his opponents, James Knight jumps before making his shot. BELOW LEFT: Disregarding the opposition's blocking attempts, Reco Clayton takes careful aim and shoots. BELOW RIGHT: Fighting furiously for the ball, Daryl Wilson (12) tries to hit it to Greg Russ (52).

BELOW: Swinging into action, Paul Lambine aims for a home-run. RIGHT: Intramurals Chairman Steve Webster recruits Evelyn Watkins, Bruce Joyce, Greg Sammons, Gary Smith, Donald Holland and Barbara Phipps.

Intramural Competition Unites Students, Faculty

Following the success of Ferguson's three-year-old intramurals program, a city wide program began in all high schools this year. Softball was played in the fall, ping-pong in the winter but plans for volleyball were delayed because of no heat for the gym during the energy shortage. Boys and girls, faculty and students participated on the same teams with a growing program of activities.

ABOVE: Coach Steve Webster umpires in the first softball game. LEFT: Boys and Girls champions, Dwayne Williams and Susan Burns recieve ping-pong trophies from Steve Webster.

Our Achievements

RIGHT: Surveying is taught to Diane Freeman, Ginny Hostetter, Darlene Williams and John Wilcox. BELOW LEFT: Disguised by his safety glasses, a student concentrates in woodshop. BELOW RIGHT: Maureen Mulcahy measures the efforts of her English class. FAR RIGHT: Cheering the end of the semester are composition students; Shelly Robinson, Leslie Jarvis, Pam Lewis, David Schneid, Lee Ann Turlington, Paul Jackson, Brenda Lewis, Sheila McCarthy, and Harry Makris.

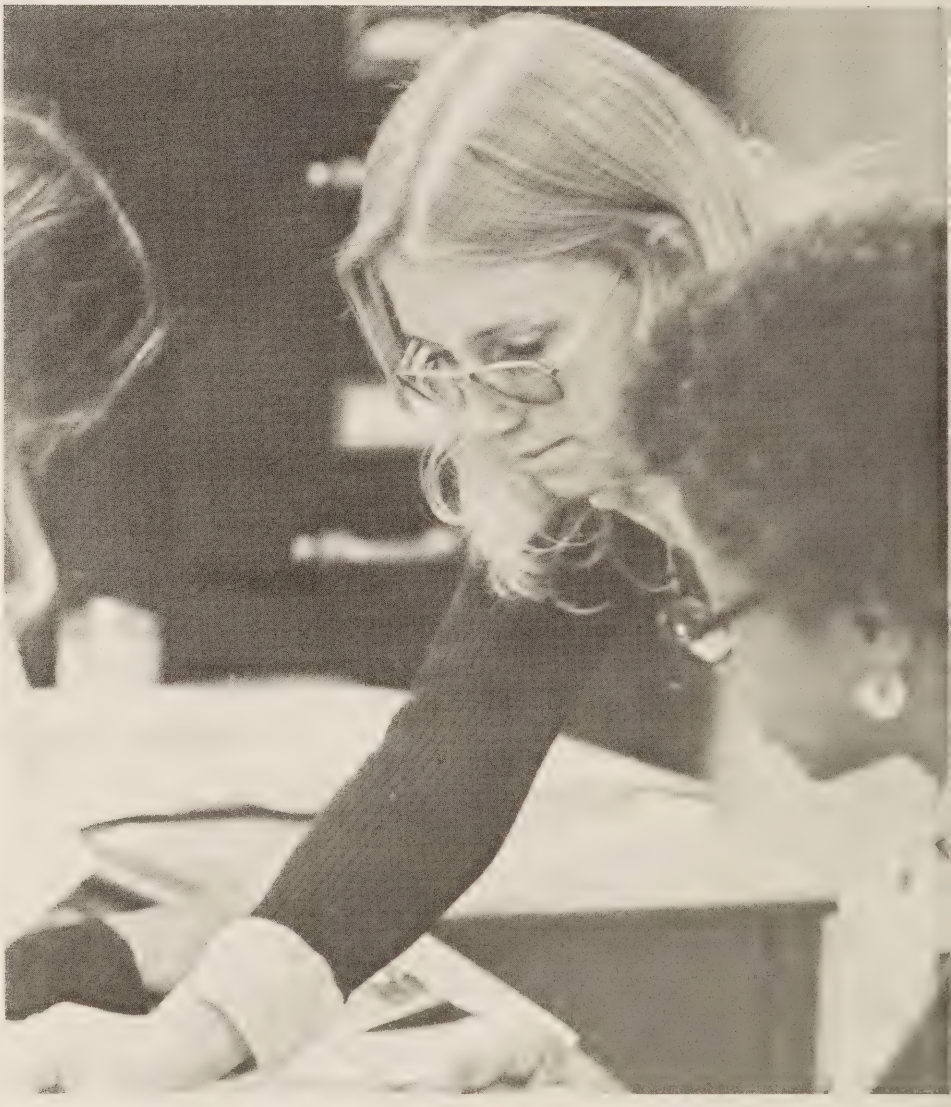
Classes at Ferguson were as varied as the students who attended them. Some were informal, with little written work required, while others called for long hours of classwork and homework. Students were instructed in classes in subjects which would prepare them for employment, or marriage and family life, or for college. Extra subjects were offered so we could learn more about things that interested us. Each student had the opportunity to learn, and to prepare for the future, his own way.

New Focus On Reading Brings Skills Consultant

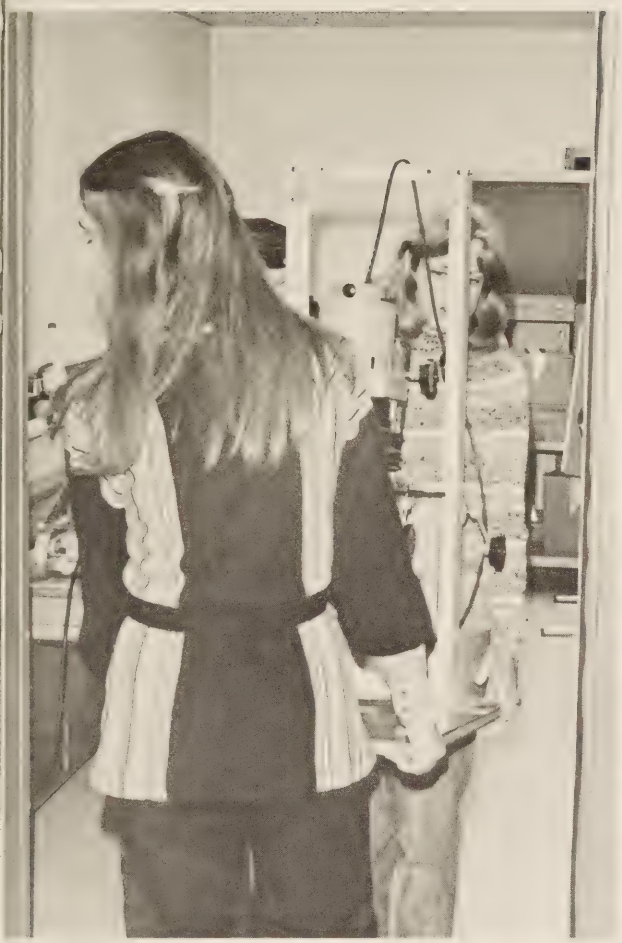
English classes were reorganized to help students with reading problems. There were as many Y classes as R classes and both concentrated on teaching reading skills. Some of these classes wrote stories typed in big letters, made hard covers for them and later distributed them to local elementary schools.

A non-college bound English program was introduced which provided practical skills for seniors who planned to terminate their education in June. No Humanities or World Literature classes were offered because seniors seemed to prefer not to have an extra hour of classes. The English Department acquired more material and a reading consultant to help students with reading problems.

Students studied Latin, German, French and Spanish. Some levels of classes were taught in combined class periods because of small enrollments. Mrs. Kay Brown replaced Sam Sykes as department chairman.



TOP: Students discuss career and college information with their counselor, Miss Fluty. RIGHT: Reviewing an article with Mrs. Santiful, Diane Robinson gets her approval for the final printing of the Windjammer.



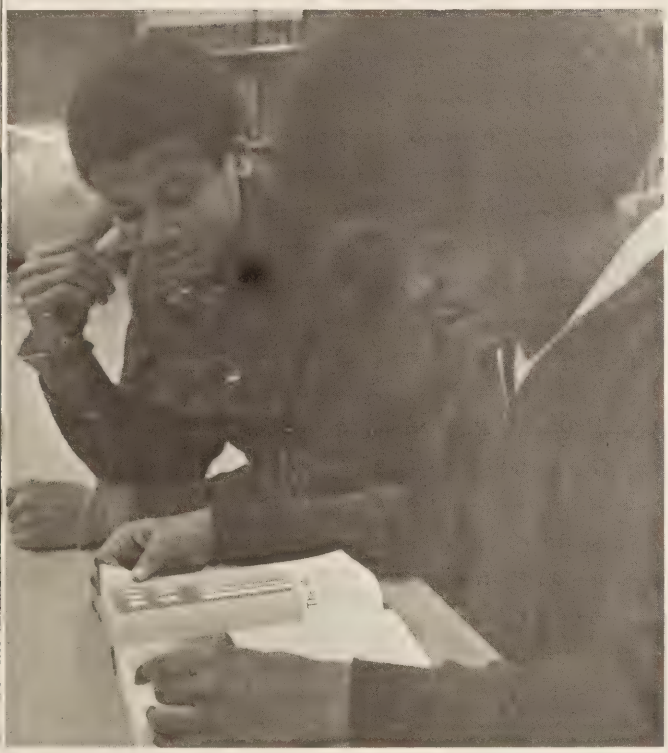
TOP LEFT: Transport of darkroom equipment is carefully done by Debra Smith and Donna Strother. TOP RIGHT: A discussion on a more personal level proves more interesting to Susan Thornton and Mary Kay Grubbs than the classroom lecture. LEFT: Morning announcements of basketball games results are given by Judy Huff.

Term Papers, Projects Send Students To Library

Science projects, term papers, reports, and essays were research assignments given to students. These assignments were particularly difficult in the fall because of the remodeling of the library. Many students were forced to seek outside help at the Public Library and other neighboring school libraries.

Students became frantic when teachers announced those two dreaded words, "term paper." Some English teachers took classes to the Christopher Newport Library for additional help in gathering research matierals. Science students were encouraged to make projects for the schoolwide science fair held in January.

TOP RIGHT: Engrossed with an article Suzie Daily reads intently. TOP LEFT: Piles of cluttered books show the unorganized library at the start of the year. RIGHT: Science student makes one last check before the judging begins.



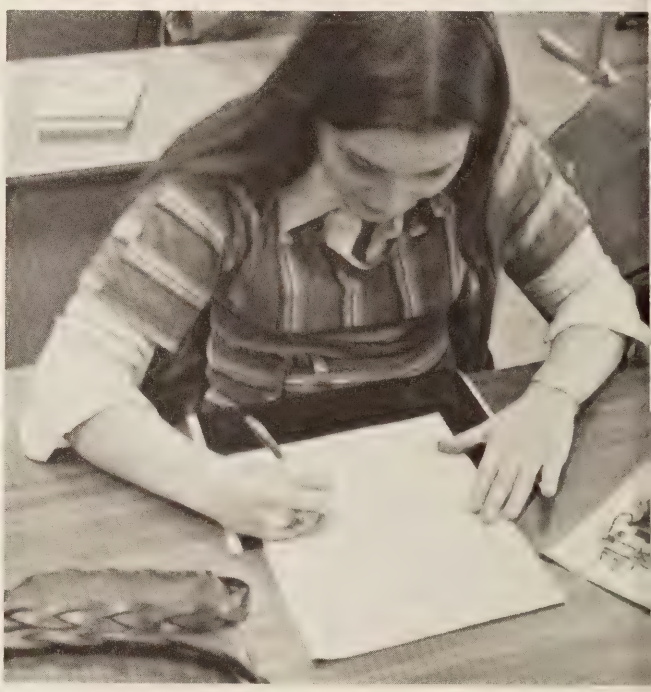
TOP: While discussing current events, Punchy Chestnut, Thomasine Phillips, Bernadette Harris, and Sharon Jarrett work together. ABOVE RIGHT: Senior Diane Freeman refers to the card catalog for research materials. ABOVE LEFT: For reading pleasure, Lonnie Heckstall and Charles Hall flip through an encyclopedia.

RIGHT: Raising the flag in the morning is the routine beginning the day for NJROTC. MIDDLE: Marching back after flag raising completes the NJROTC Company Formation. BOTTOM: Newport News Intermediate NJROTC students drill with Ferguson's unit at a company inspection.

Trying new roles was exciting for some Ferguson students. They tried things such as: photography, drama, announcing, public speaking and marching like soldiers. Some students found that they liked the roles they played and others decided to try again.

FAR LEFT: Pretending to eat in a German restaurant, Tim Hughes plays the role of a waiter serving customer Jean White. BOTTOM LEFT: Impatient with the annual staff photographers, Robin Brooks tries the role of a photographer for herself. BOTTOM: Learning how a radio announcer feels, Judy Huff runs through the morning announcements.

RIGHT: Tammy Cook and Barbara Hunter proudly display the dolls they made in Child Development class. MIDDLE LEFT: Typing a letter, Beverly Price perfects the business skills she will use to earn a living. MIDDLE RIGHT: Completing her business project, Kay Doyle darkens the letters on a Christmas card. BELOW: Taking a timed writing, Sherry Elvington and Cheryl McIntosh increase their typing speed and accuracy.



Vocational skills Teach Useful Skills For Future

Teaching vocational skills was the objective of instructors in the industrial arts, home economics and business departments. Students in these classes acquired the knowledge needed to earn a living or take care of a home properly.

Industrial arts students learned the basic woodworking, metalworking and electronics skills. Design as well as construction was studied.

Building projects provided a way to develop the newly acquired skills. Radios, tubetesters, tables, and chairs were just a few of the many projects constructed.

Home Economics students were taught how to run a home efficiently. They learned how to plan and cook a meal, make their own clothing, and do various other jobs associated with housekeeping.

The child development class taught students about the problems associated with raising a child. It was involved in a project to raise funds for the King's Daughter's Children's Hostital.

Business students learned how an office operates. In addition to typing, spelling and punctuation were stressed.

ABOVE: Stopping to readjust the tool rest, Robert Kelly adds the finishing touches to his project. BELOW: Inserting the stencil, Ruby Woods prepares to make copies of a worksheet in business class.

TOP: With a light touch, Roslyn Smith sculpts a work of art. TOP RIGHT: During a home economics class, Vickie Browne places the finishing touches on her cake. BOTTOM: While in a creative writing class, Fred Greenberg, Sharon Barton, D'-Lane Alvis, and Preston Williams put together a play. BOTTOM RIGHT: The hands of Susan Smith prepare to cut a clay masterpiece.

BELOW: In a first year drama class, David Schneid practices lifting Cheryl Green for a drama project. BELOW RIGHT: Sketching is an enjoyable pastime for Van Lewis, Michael White, and Gary Small. BOTTOM LEFT: Creative hands mold clay on a potters wheel. BOTTOM RIGHT: Perfecting his role, Harry Burton expresses himself as a character in his class play.

Art, Writing, Cooking Give Creative Oportunity

Many opportunities for self expression were offered in classes. These activities included art, chorus, band, sports, home economics, drama, and creative writing. Through these, students did activities which allowed them to use their talents in constructive ways.

Projects, Labs, Lectures Explore New Knowledge

Ideas and processes were explored by students who did projects, labs, reports and group work to examine new subjects. Senior Government classes explored topics of their choice by signing up for subjects they preferred to study second semester. American History classes meeting together first period explored large lecture sections by meeting in the chorus room where Don Coccoli lectured them. For tests and discussions they returned to their regular history classes.

ABOVE RIGHT: The length of the pendulum is measured as Jack Young and Patty Bryant prepare for a physics lab. BELOW: Lecturer, Don Coccoli explains the era of good feeling to history classes.

TOP: Working in the green house, David Richards rearranges the plants. MIDDLE LEFT: Displaying their project, Denise Wilson and Scott Sutton await judging in the Science Fair. ABOVE: Experimenting with geometrical shapes, Dee Dee Scott and Tyler Johnson show their projects in Geometry class.

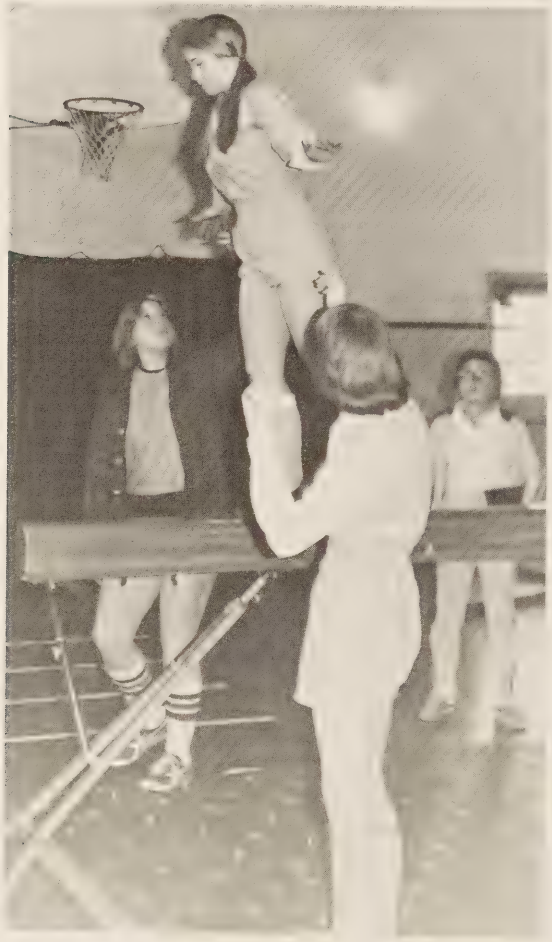
Leisure Activities Taught In Physical Education

Leisure time is important to most people. It is a time to actively relax. Physical Education class taught us how to spend our leisure time.

Jogging, exercise, and even tennis were probably first introduced to most students in a physical education program in school.

Activities taught at Ferguson included gymnastics, volley ball, ping-pong, basketball, slimnastics and numerous other sports.

TOP RIGHT: Playing on a newly waxed floor, James Pittman attempts to catch his falling friend. BOTTOM RIGHT: Exercising can be fun, as D'Lane Alvis enjoys her jumping jacks. BOTTOM LEFT: While two girls spot her, Barbara Brockman shows her skill on the balence beam.



TOP LEFT: "What's going on?" is the question asked as Ronald Gervin waits to begin the exercises. BOTTOM LEFT: Exercise warms muscles before students begin class. BOTTOM RIGHT: Skill on the parallel bars is shown by gymnist Kathy Lemon.

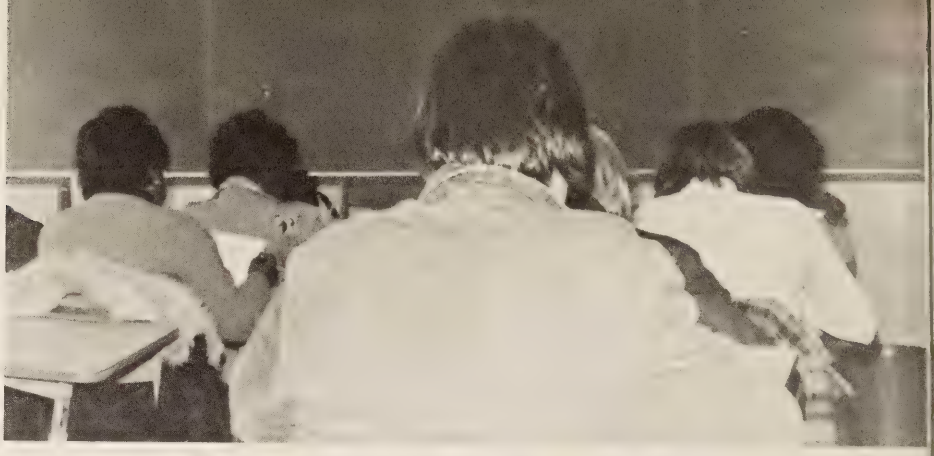
Anxious students board bus going to MACBETH. BOTTOM: Interested students Dolly Bryant and Pat Durrett study a spider.

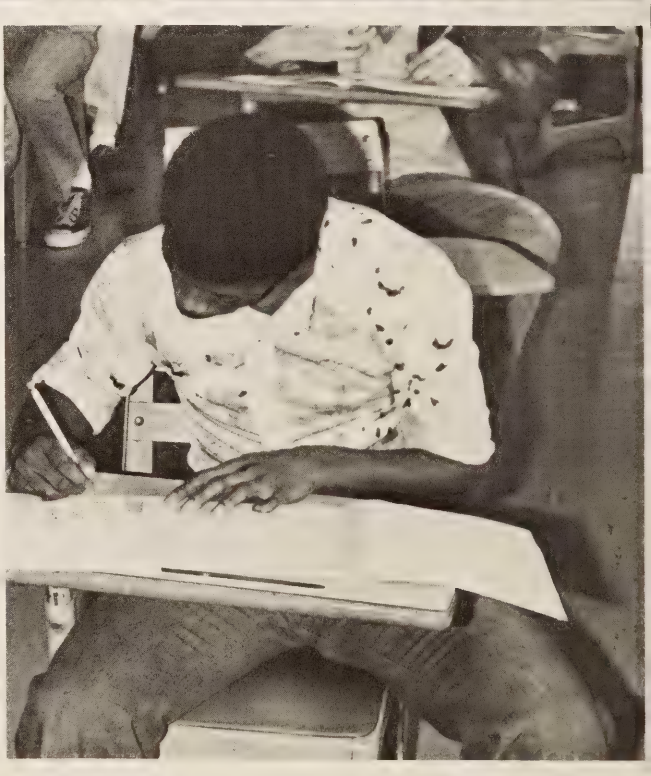
TOP: A brave student holds spider on his hand at the Spider Museum. BOTTOM: Between scenes hungry students raid the snack bar on a field trip to see a film.

Movies, Ships, Spiders Broaden Students Views

Field trips took some students away from the routine of the school day. A trip to the Spider Museum was the highlight for some students. Seniors were taken to see a film of MCBETH while they were studying Shakespeare in their English class. NJROTC visited ships and even spent several days at sea. One of the more exciting field trips was the fashion merchandizing trip to New York. They shopped in major department stores and toured the fashion district.

RIGHT: "And the last question is on the board," instructs a paper saving teacher as students begin an hour test. MIDDLE: Instructions for SRA achievement tests are given by substitute teacher Gerry Shawen as students prepare to spend another class period showing what they know. BOTTOM LEFT: Hoping to improve his classwork, Ricky Beeler begins a diagnastic test under the supervision of Reading Consultant Alice Seaman. BOTTOM RIGHT: With millions of dots swimming before his eyes a student does his best with an SRA achievement test.





LEFT: Deep in concentration Cheryl Green and other students tell Miss Fivel all they can remember on a unit test. BELOW: Checking her grade book Mrs. Santiful works on filling out complex forms for grade cards.

Exam Schedule Replaced With New Test Policy

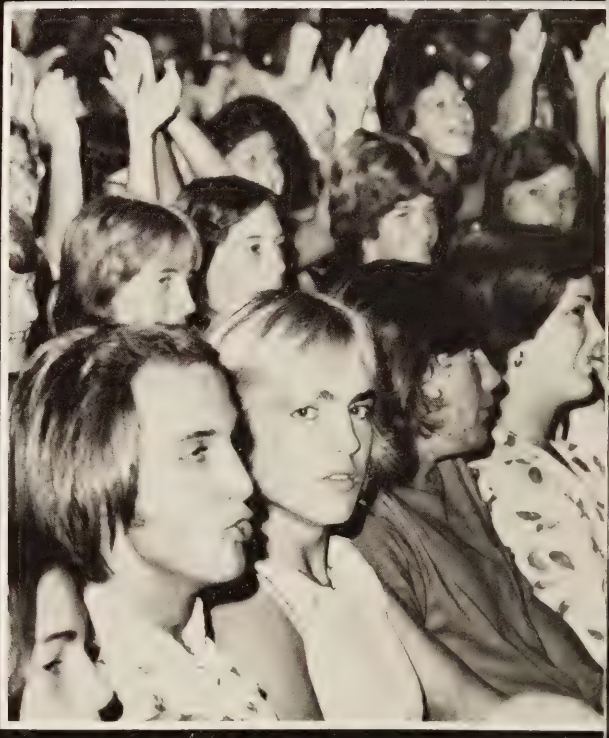
Exams took a new twist this year as the pattern of an exam week with the possibility of exemption for an A or B average was replaced with a new idea.

Hour tests were given when teachers felt they were appropriate, and the form of the test was adapted to suit the type of subject matter.

Students missed free time which the previous type of exams had given in the afternoons and on days when they were exempted from all tests.

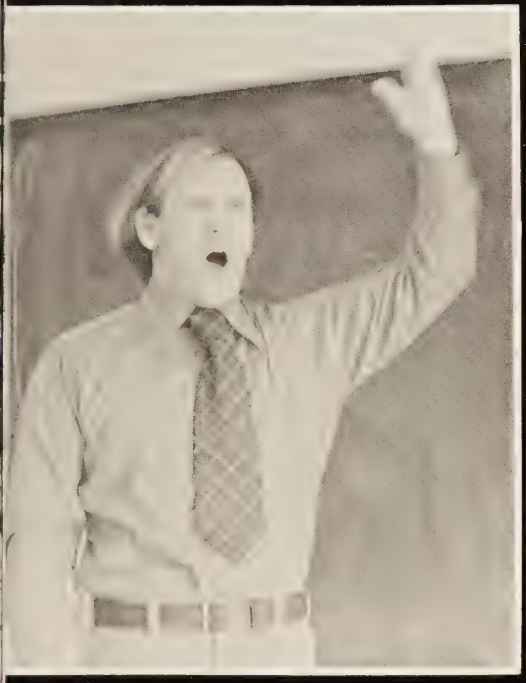
Report cards were also changed to a more complicated form which gave more information on work habits, study skills, and strengths and weaknesses.

Ourselves



ABOVE: Between Homecoming assemblies, Phyllis Johnson paces nervously. ABOVE LEFT: Cheerleaders give loyal Mariners their cue as the basketball team is introduced. LEFT: During a football practice, David Griffith tensely watches the action on the field. FAR LEFT: Appreciation and boredom surface during the Spirit Week assembly.

Who were the Mariners of 1976 and 1977? Who were the people who made Ferguson High School what it was during that year? We were the people who sat through classes and taught them. We were the ones who played sports and went to the games. We ate at burger places and in the cafeteria, went to dances, planned them and chaperoned them. Some people participated, some watched, and others ignored the whole thing, but we all did it our way.



ABOVE: With arm aloft, Mr. Don Coccoli emphasizes an important point in American history. RIGHT: While other seniors are measured for caps and gowns, Mary Ann Grubbs clowns around.

Walter Now Associate As Cox Studies At W&M

Reponsibilities of Ferguson's principals were shifted slightly to accommodate Principal William N. Cox. He had an adjusted work schedule so that he could meet residency requirements at William and Mary where he worked to earn his doctorial degree in educational administration.

Because Mr. Cox was at Ferguson for only part of the school day, Assistant Principal Tim Water became an associate principal and was given all of the day-to-day responsibility for the functioning of the entire school program. As he supervised all student discipline, student activities, and the general operation of the school, he was assisted by Robert Hearst. Hearst worked with Walter in a supporting role as an administrative assistant four hours each day and continued to work as a guidance counselor for two hours.

The instructional program of the school was supervised by Assistant Principal Margaret Lane with emphasis on teaching to objectives, giving meaningful evaluations of student learning and using new, more extensive report cards.

Student attendance, and text books were supervised by Assistant Principal David Barr.

ABOVE: Mr. Cox checks with Social Studies Department Chairman Marika Anthony on the plans she has made for a department program. RIGHT: Ferguson's offical host, Mr. Cox greets Newport News Councilman Wayne Spencer and Attorney General Andrew Miller, who spoke to students at a seminar on law and order. FAR RIGHT: Anxious to help, Mr. Cox directs lost students at the opening of school.

ABOVE LEFT: Federal Survey Cards hold the attention of Assistant Principals David Barr and Bob Hearst as they work to find cards for all students. ABOVE RIGHT: In conference, Assistant Principal Margaret Lane and Principal Bill Cox discuss reactions to the new report card forms. LEFT: Drenched from the rain, Tim Walter and S.C.A. President Heather Dow begin to announce the 1976-1977 Homecoming Court. BELOW: Combining his responsibilities as a parent and as a principal, Tim Walter sits with his son at a Saturday afternoon Ferguson football game.

Teachers Attend Classes As Students

Are teachers "finished" after college? The answer is no. Unknown to most students, the majority of teachers are continually enrolled in classes themselves. Topics studied this year by Ferguson's faculty varied from Reading in the Content Area, a course offered by the city's school system, to photography taken through the city's Adult Education program.

Faculty members learn ways to help students with reading difficulties from Ferguson's Reading Consultant Alice Seaman.

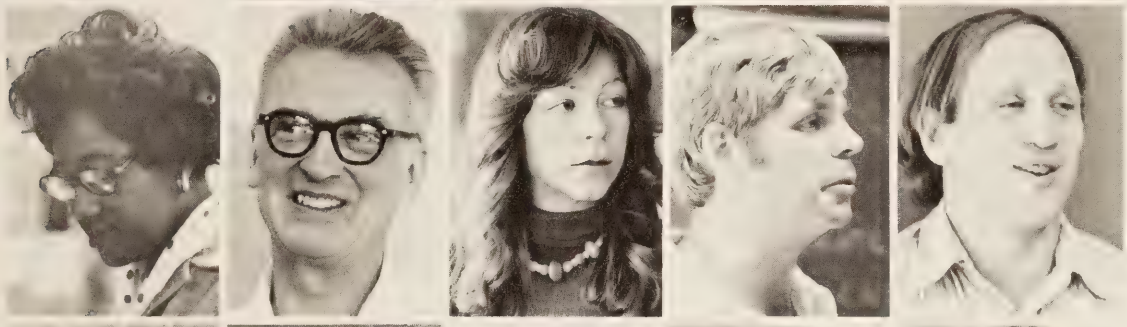
ROBERT ACKERMAN: Physics, Math; Computer Club.
HOWARD ALSTON: Biology.
MARIKA ANTHONY: Gov't.; Dept. Head.
JOYCELYN ARCHER: Math, Study Hall; Majorettes.
JULIAN BAKER: ICT; VICA Sponsor.

JOYCE BALLARD: English; Forensics.
ANN BARKER: Biology.
SANDRA BENVIE: Math; Dept. Head.
MARGRET BIGGINS: Guidance Counselor
CATHERINE BRAXTON: Home Econ.; Co-Sponsor FHA.

ORA BRINKLEY: History; NHS Sponsor
LESLIE BROOKS: Reading, English.

ALPHIA BROWN: Guitar.
CAROLYN BROWN: Art; Pep Club.
CHERYL BROWN: Vocal Music; Madrigals.
JENVER BROWN: Steno., Clerk Typing; FBLA.
KAYE BROWN: Spanish; Spanish Club; Dept. Head.

J.L. BULL: Military Science, ROTC Sponsor.
EDWARD BYRD: Gov't., Urban Studies.
CURTIS CAMPBELL: English.
ANITA CAPEHART: English.
DEBORAH CARROL: History. Drill Team.



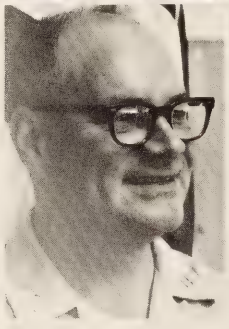
FLOYDA CARTER: Fashion Merchandise; D.E.
WESLEY CHESSON: History, Gov't.
SHEILA CISLO: Art; Senior Class Sponsor.
DONALD CLARY: P.E., Health; Coach: Football, J.V. Baseball.
DONALD COCCOLI: History; Wrestling Coach; Varsity Club.

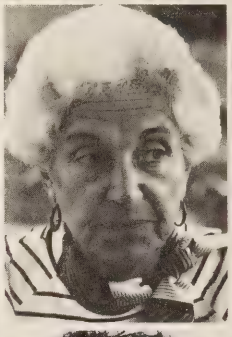
BECKI CONGLETON: Steno. Office Services; Keyettes; Dept. Head.
ANNE CREASY: Latin; Latin Club.
SYLVIA CUSTER: Typing, General Business.
JANET DREWRY: Math.
DOROTHY EDWARDS: Art; Art Club.

JIMMIE ESPICH: Beginning Comp.; Annual Staff Adviser
OTIS FARMER: D.E.; DECA Club.
JAMIE FEATHERSTONE: Typing, General Business.
JOANN FIVEL: English; SCA Adviser.
BELINDA FLUTY: Guidance Counselor; Keyettes.

RAYMOND FOSTER: English.
BERTHARINE FRANCIS: P.E., Health; Field Hockey Coach.
CHARLOTTE GAW: Guidance Counselor.
EULA GIPSON: Gov't., History.
MARY GRAHAM: Biology.

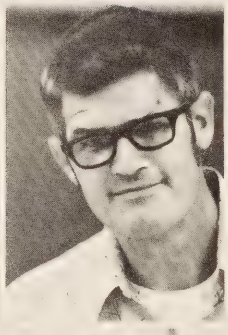
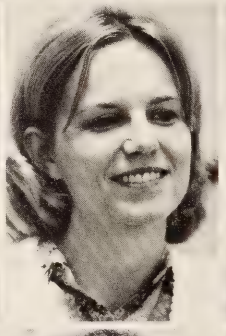
JUANITA GRANGER: Attendance Office Secretary.
JOHN GREGOR: Military Science; NJROTC.
JAMES HALE: Industrial Arts, Electronics.
BEA HALL: Main Office Secretary.
HELEN HARDAWAY: Study Hall.

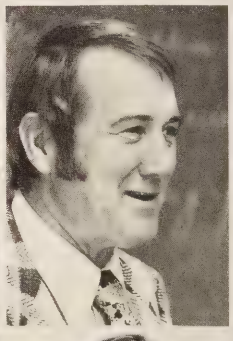




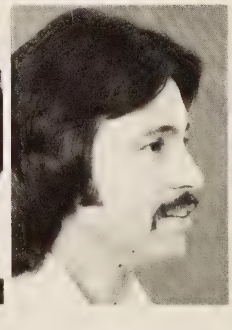
DORIS HARRELL: General Business, Typing; Pep Club.
HARRY HENRY: Building Engineer.
WRAY HERRING: Instrumental Music; Dept. Head.
GLORIA HODGES: Office Services; Varsity Cheerleaders.
COLENTHINA HOLCOMB: Business, Guidance Counselor.

FABA HOLLEY: Psychology.
HARLAN HOTT: P.E., Drivers Ed.; Coach: Golf, Football.
LINDA HUGHES: English.
JANICE JAQUET: Librarian.
DEWEY JOHNSON: Geography, Sociology.



LILLIE KEA: Book Keeper.
JANET KESSLER: Govt., History; Sophmore Class.
FANNIE KING: Chemistry; Dept. Head.
LARRY KNIGHT: English; Varsity Baseball Coach.
NANCY LAKE: German.



PAUL LAMBINE: Woodworking.
BERNICE LITTLE: Math; Majorettes.
LOUISE LIPSCOMB: Guidance Counselor.
MICHAEL LIVESAY: History, Gov't; Chess Club.
ROLANDA MALVAL: Spanish; AFS.

VIRGINIA MASTERS: P.E., Health; Coach: Varsity Hockey, Track.
ALEXA MIMS: Math; NHS.
MARTHA ODER: Guidance Secretary.
DANNY O'NEAL: Gov't., History.
NORA PAFFRATH: English.

Sports, Hobbies, Music Interest Faculty Members

Recreational activities and free time were primary interests to faculty members who looked forward to 3:20, Friday, and vacation as much as students did. Teachers swam, played tennis, tended to tropical fish, played bridge, sewed, jogged, and many other interesting activities. Teachers Joann Fivel and Larry Knight were both interested in music, but in contrasting types. Miss Fivel played the violin in the Peninsula Orchestra while Knight played the guitar and sang in a group, Two Minute Warning.

English teacher, Larry Knight, shares a mike with a fellow band member while preparing for Two Minute Warning's Christmas engagement in Cuba.

Teachers Lead Double Lives

Although teachers put in a full day of hard work, some faculty members still had time to do volunteer work in the community or to work a second job.

Mr. Raymond Foster taught Beginning Photography at VARC and Coach Jim Ryan taught a Motorcycles Class for the city at Todd Stadium.

Guidance Counselor Mrs. Peggy Biggins not only counseled students, but also counseled through the Contact House Telephone Ministry.

Many other teachers actively participated in their churches, singing in choirs and teaching Sunday School classes or in community service clubs working to meet the needs of special groups within the community.

Night school students, including Helen Turner and Janice Jacquet, submit their photography for Ray Foster to examine.

PATRICIA PARKER: English.
DOROTHY PENNINGTON: Math.
VIRGINIA PEPPER: Guidance Counselor.
LINDA PHILLIPS: Driver's Ed.; Coach: Girl's Track, Intramural Softball.
DWIGHT PINKETTE; D.E.; Junior Class Sponsor.

JOHN QUILLEN: P.E., Health; Coach: Football, Track.
PATRICIA QUINN: English, Speech, Drama; Drama Club; Thespians Sponsor.
BARBARA RAINES: English, Advanced Comp.; Dept. Head.
BETSY REDMAN: Staff Aide; J.V. Cheerleaders.
GWEN REISTE: Main Office Secretary.

ANNETTE RIMKUS: English, Creative Writing.
MARGARET RITCHIE: Biology.
REBECCA ROBBINS: Math.
RUTH ROBINSON: English; SAE Club.
JIM RYAN: Drivers Ed.; Athletic Director.

WILHELMINA SANTIFUL: English, Journalism; Windjammer Adviser.
ALICE SEAMAN: Reading Consultant.
BETTY SHARPE: Chemistry, Biology.
BOBBY SILVEY: Business.
BIRDIE SMITH: Cafeteria Manager.

ELIZABETH SMITH: English.
LINDA STALLINGS: Library Clerk.
ELIZABETH SPRUILL: Main Office Secretary.
SAM SYKES: French; French Club.
ANNE TEW: English, Reading.

MARGARET TURBYFILL: English, Reading.
HELEN TURNER: Head Librarian.
ULYSSES TURNER: Drafting.
TONI TWIFORD: Home Ec.; FHA Sponsor.
RICHARD VENABLE: Special Cooperative Program Coordinator.

SYLVIA WALKER: P.E., Health; Coach: Girl's Gymnastics, Girl's Track.
GEORGE WALTERS: P.E., Health; Varsity Basketball Coach.
BRENDA WATERS: Math.
STEPHEN WEBSTER: Staff Aide.
GLORIA YOUNG: Steno., Book Keeping.

Solid Finances Make Senior Funding Easy

With $1600 in the treasury, seniors worked very little on fund raising; instead they experimented on what sold and what didn't by ordering and attempting to sell such items as megaphones and sweaters to promote more spirit. They also helped by lowering class dues.

A Halloween dance the Senior Class was sponsoring was cancelled at the last minute disappointing a few students who would have loved to be monsters for one night.

In the midst of a year filled with expectation, the senior class was faced with a leadership conflict which almost cost the class a very good president.

Even through this, they showed their concern for each other when their families were faced with problems by sending expressions of sympathy.

Senior Officers: FRONT-- Kathy Dougherty, Reporter; Monette Dutch, V. Pres.; Pomeroy Brinkley, Pres.; BACK--Elizabeth Stanton, Chaplin; Lisa McAvoy, Treas.; Debbie Gurley, Sec.; Evelyn Watkins, Parlimentarian.

LARRY AKERS

ANGELO ALSTON

CARLTON ALSTON
DECA 1,2,3.

CHARLOTTE AMMONS
Drama 2,3; Art Club 1, Sec. 2, 3; French Club 1,2,3; SAE 1; MARINER Staff 2,3; Class Council 1,2,3. "Hello Dolly", 2.

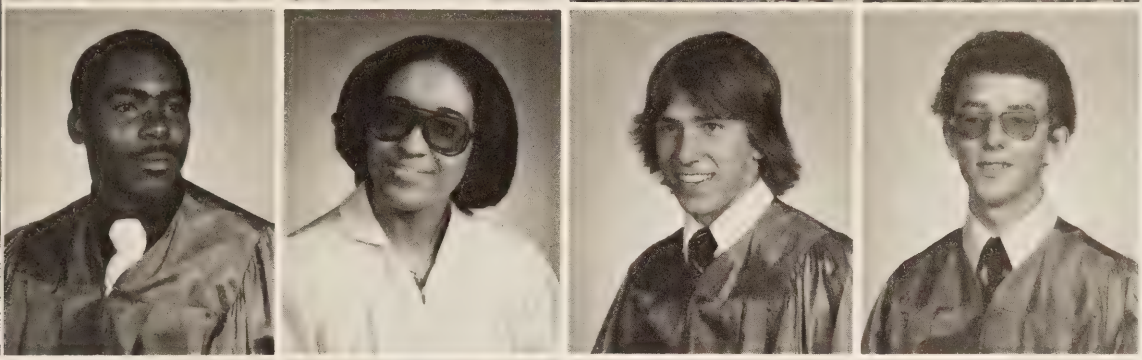
KATHY ANN ANTHONY
French Club 2; Miss Mariner 2nd Runner-up 2; Cheerleader 1,2; SCA 1; Keyettes 2,3; Class Rep. Hist. 1; Softball 3.

MARK BAILLIO
Wrestling 2,3.

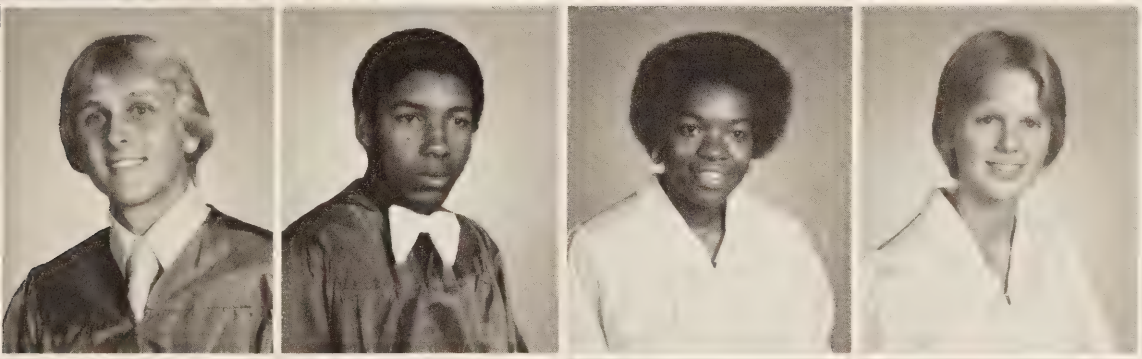
KENNETH BAINES
DECA 1; Track 2.

PATRICIA BAKER

KATHERINE "CATHY" BEASLEY
FBLA 2,3; Drill Team 3; Keyettes 2,3; Library 2.
RICHARD "RICKY" BERGER
SCA 1; FBLA 2,3; NJROTC 1; Windjammer 3.
EDWARD BLAIR
Baseball 1,3.



JIMMY BLAKENEY
Track 2,3; Football 1,2,3.
ESTELLE BLIZZARD
Spanish Club 2,3; Governor's School 2; Keyettes 1,2,3; SAE 2,3; NHS 2,3.
TIM BLOWE
KEVIN BOWDEN
NJROTC 1,2,3.



JAMES "JAY" HARWELL BOWEN JR.
Drama 2,3; Forensics 2,3; French Club 2,3; Boy's State 2; SCA 1, Treas. 2, V. Pres. 3
GARY BRADSHAW
Band 1; NJROTC 1; Track 2, 3; Basketball 1; Football 1; Varity Club 3.
DEBRA "NESE" BRANCH
FBLA 1,2; Drill Team 1.
BETH BRECKINRIDGE
Drama 2,3; Science Club 3; AFS 3; SCA 1,3; Basketball 2,3.

COLLEEN BRENNAN
Drama 2; Spanish Club 2,3; SCA.
DEBORAH LYNN BRICKHOUSE
Drama 2,3; SCA 3; DECA 2, 3; Keyettes 2.
POMEROY "BRINK" BRINKLEY
Band 1,2, Spanish Club 1,2, 3; Varsity Club 1, Pres. 2,3; NHS 2,3; Class Pres. 2,3; Track 1. Wrestling 1,2,3.
JACKIE LOUISE BROOKS
French Club 1; SCA 1,2; Keyettes 1,2,3.

BONITA "BO" BROWN
Band 2,3; Track 1,2,3.
CHARLES BROWN
Latin Club 1,2,3; Math Club 1,2,3; Tennis 1,2,3.
DONNELL BROWN
JULIA BROWN
Pep Club 2,3; FBLA 1; Science Club 2; Gymnastics 1, 2; Track 1,2,3.

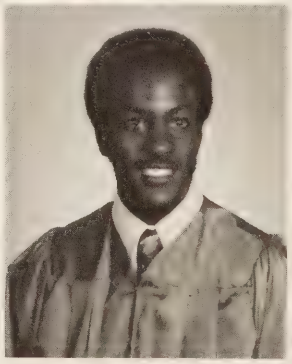
Part-Time Jobs Pay For Senior Expenses

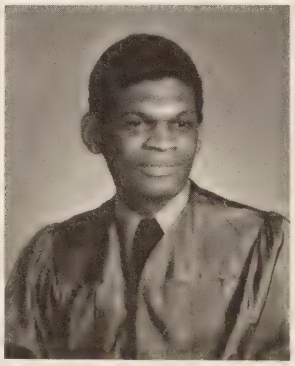
The high cost of Senior expenses, dating, and school activities led many Seniors to seek part time jobs. An annual staff survey showed that about half of the Senior class worked at fast food stores, Busch Gardens, or department stores. Seniors worked an average of 18-20 hours a week, putting half their earnings in the bank and spending the other half.

ABOVE: With a friendly smile, Martin Payne rings up an order at Busch Gardens. LEFT: Expressing boredom, Mike Mee continues unloading the cable car.

MARNET BRUMBAUGH
LILLIAN "SNEEZE" BUMPERS
Pep Club 1,3; SCA 1; Volyball 1,2.
JOYCELYN BURCH
Spanish Club 1,2,3; Pep Club 1; Keyettes 2,3; SAE 1,2,3.
SUSAN BURNS
Madrigals 2,3; SCA 2,3; Keyettes 2,3; Acapella 1,2.

DONNA BURR
Band 1,2,3; Class Council 1, 2,3; Drama 3.
DANIEL CAMPBELL
FRED CAMPBELL
Windjammer 1,2.
VERNITA "NEE-NEE" CAMPBELL
FBLA 1; Gymnastics 1; Vollyball.





CAROLE CANNON
CAROLYN CARNER
CATHY CARTER
AFS 2,3; Windjammer 2,3.
ROBERT "BOBBY" CARTER
Band 1,2,3; Track 1,2,3; Cross-Country 1,2,3.

MICHAEL CERNIGLIARO
JANICE CHERRY
Pep Club 3; ICT 3; NJROTC 1; Hockey 3.
SUSAN CHISMAN
SCA 1,3.
FELIX CHRISTIAN
DECA 1; Track 1,2; Football 2,3.

LURENTHA "LUE" CLARK
Track 1,2,3; Banner Girl 2,3.
OTHA "O.C." CLARKE
Band 2.
KIM COARSEY
Drama 2; French Club 2,3; Gymnastics 2,3; Basketball 2,3.
DARLENE COBERLY
Drama 2.

Reaching for a broom, Lisa McAvoy prepares to begin her work at Busch Gardens.

SAT Testing Teases Seniors' Brains

Scholastic Aptitude Tests were given to seniors who felt they were ready to tackle the three hours of math and verbal problems. Students were later surveyed on their reaction to the SAT.

I felt scared, unsure of how I would do. I felt my whole future rested on what I wrote down on that piece of paper before me. I felt great about my socres.---
MIKE MEE

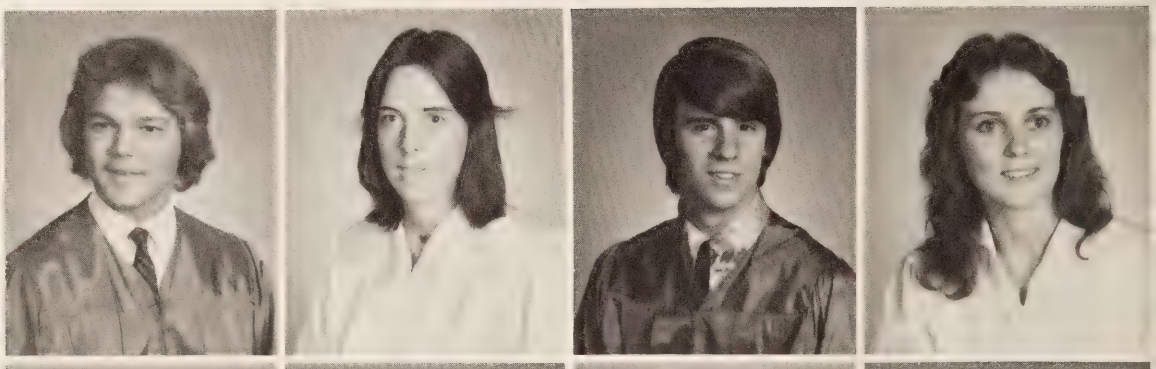
I had a very bad cold. I felt my scores were part of my cold.---SUSAN BURNS

Sick. Sicker.---DAVID WELCH

Hung over . . . . Not pleased.---TOM HALL

Guidance counselors Lynn Fluty and Charlotte Gaw point students to test areas.

NEIL COFFEY
MELISSA COLLINS
Basketball 1,2,3.
DAMON COMBS
Spanish Club 1,2.
BARBARA COOK
DECA 1,2,3.

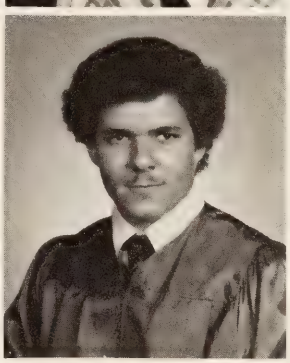


ROBERT A. COOK
Key Club 3; Track 3; Campus Life 2,3.
JOHN COOKE
GARY COOPER
GARY CRAWFORD

LUCILLE CREECH
Drama 2; FBLA 2,3; Drill Team 1,2; Varsity Club 3; Who's Who 2; "Hello Dolly" SCA 3.
ROBERT "BOBBY" CREGER
VICA 2,3; ICT 2,3.
DANIEL J. "DAN" CRUTE
Madrigals 2,3; Spanish Club 3; Chess Club 3; Acappella 1,2,3;
DENNIS CURTIS
VICA 2,3; DECA 1.

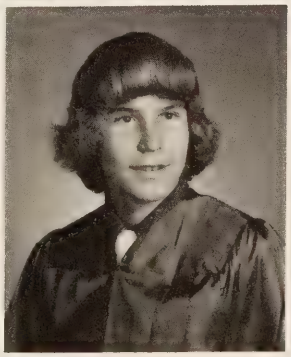
SUZANNE "SUZIE" DAILEY
Forensics 1,3; Spanish 1; Drill Team 3; SAE 1,2,3; Campus Life.
SHIRLEY DARDEN
Track 1.
GARY DARNELL
Campus Life 1,2,3.
ANITA DAVIS
Drama 2; Forensics 1,2; SCA 1; SAE 3; MARINER 2,3; Co-editor, Ad-manager; " The Crudible"; French Club 1.

DEBORAH DAVIS
DIANE "BIG DEE" DAVIS
Spanish Club 2,3; SCA 1; FBLA 3; Majorette 1,2, Capt. 3; Track 1,2,3; Basketball 1,2,3.
GEORGE DAVIS
Tennis 1,3.
LARRY DAVIS



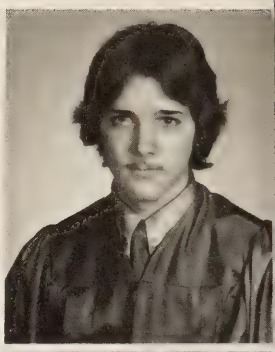
WANDA DAVIS
LESLIE DEANS
Drama 3; FBLA 2,3; Hockey 3; Track 2,3.
ANGELA "ALI" DELOATCH
Art Club 3; Pep Club 3; Track 2,3.
STEVEN DELOZIER

STEVEN EARL "COCO" DENSON
Band 1,2,3; NJROTC 1; Track 3.
DAVID DIXON
Track 1,2,3; Wrestling 1; Basketball 1; Football 1,2,3; Indoor track 1,2,3.
SOILA "TERRY" DODSON
Pep Club 3; SCA 2.
KATHLEEN "KATHY" DOUGHERTY
Drama 2,3; French Club 1,2, 3; Cheerleader 1; AFS 1,2,3; SCA 2,3; Keyettes 2, Treas. 3; Class reporter-hist. 2,3.

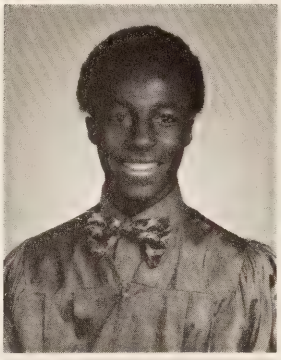
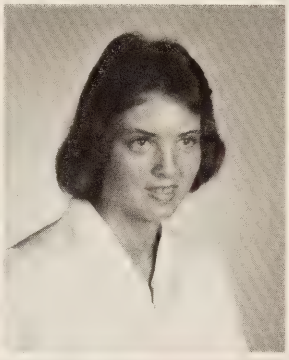


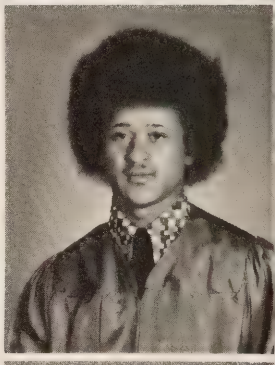
HEATHER DOW
Girls' State 2; SCA 1,2, Pres. 3; Keyettes 2,3; Tennis State Champion 2,3; Who's Who? 3.
KAY DOYLE
GEORGE DREYBUS
Math Club 2,3; Chess Club 1, 2; Key Club 2,3; Football 2, 3; Varsity Club 1,3.
REBECCA "BECKY" DUNN
Drama 1,2,3; Spanish Club 2,3; Keyettes 3; Helm 1; A cappella 2; "Our Town", "Miracle Worker".

DEBBIE DUPREE
MONETTE DUTCH
Spanish Club 2,3; Math Club 2, 3; Cheerleader 3; SCA 1, 2,3; FBLA 3; SAE 2; Class V. Pres. 2,3; Basketball 2; Homecoming Queen 3; Upward-Bound 3; Banner Girl 2.
KATHLEEN "KATHY" EDMISTON
Gauntlet-Tri-Hi-Y 1.
WILLIAM "TONY" EDMONDSON
Band 3.

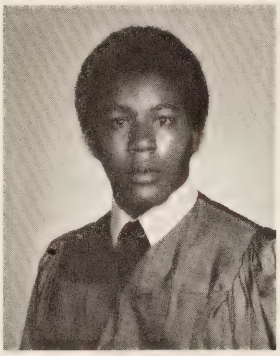


WALTER ELAM
VICA 2; ICT 2; NJROTC 1.
CINDY ELLICOTT
DEBORAH "POOKIE" EPPS
Drama 3; FHA 2,3.
MICHEAL ANTHONY EVANS

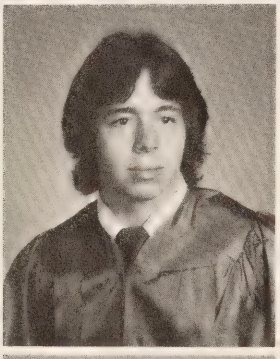



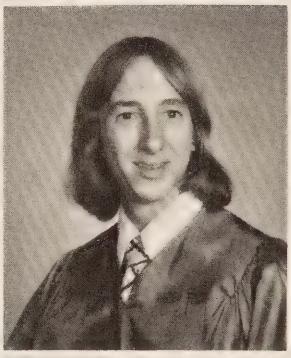
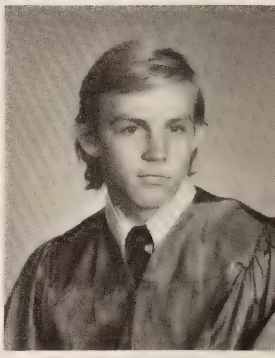


ROBERT "PEE WEE" EVANS
Track 2; Wrestling 1; Basketball 1; Football 1,2,3.
SUSAN LYNN EVANS
Band 1,2,3; Drama 3; Art Club 1; AFS 3; Keyettes 3.
CYNTHIA RENEE FARRAR
Forensics 1,3; French Club 1; SCA 1,3; Drill Team 1.
BEVERLY KAYE FERGUSON
Spanish Club 1.

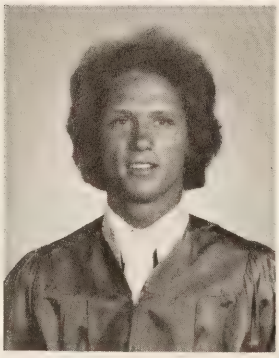


ALLEN DERRICK "PAT" FERRELL
LYNNE JULIA FISCELLA
DECA 1; Hockey 2; Sportsmanship Award 2.
KARL MICHAEL FLEISCHMANN
JACK FLETCHER
AFS Student from: Pretoria, Republic of South Africa 3; Key Club 3; Photography Club 3.



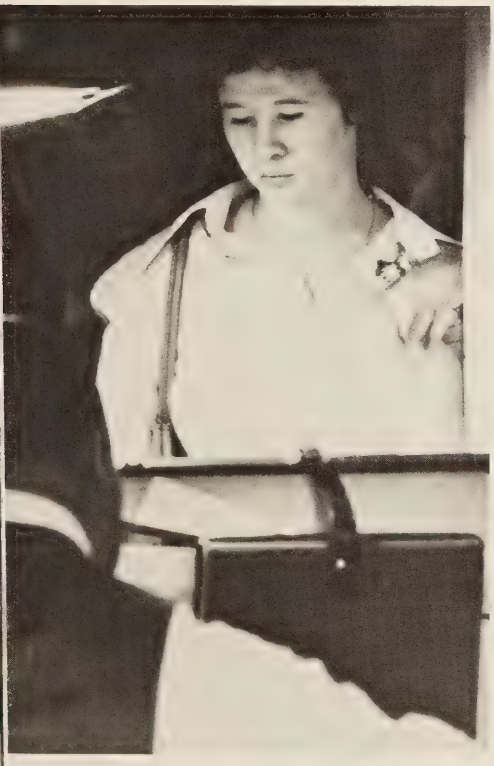



NICKY DAVID FRANKIE
DIANE ELIZABETH FREEMAN
Drama 2,3; Art Club 2,3; DECA 3; Keyettes 2,3; Helm 3; Gymnastics 1.
SHARON LEIGH FULLER
Drama 2,3; SCA 1,2,3; Drill Team 2; Keyettes 2,3; Hockey 1; FHA 1; Varsity Club 2,3; Helm 3;, SCA Sec. 2,3.
ANGELA "ANN" GAFFNEY
VICA 2,3; ICT 2.



MITZIE GARNER
French Club 2; AFS 1,2,3; Drill Team 2; Keyettes 2,3; SAE 1,2,3; Hockey 3; Varsity Club 3; NHS 2,3; AFS Host 2.
RONALD GARNER
LAVON MADISON GARRIS
NJROTC 1,2,3.
LOUKIA GARY
Pep Club 2,3; Off. Assist. 3.

CATHERINE ANNETTE "CATHY" GILBERT
TERI GOAD
Spanish Club 2; SCA 2; Keyettes 3; Tennis 1,2,3; Varsity Club 2,3; Who's Who 2; High School All American 2.
LYNN GOLDBERG
Cheerleader 1; SCA 1,2,3; Keyettes 2.
SANDRA "SANDY" GOUGE
SCA 3; FBLA 1,2,3; Library 2,3.



Announcement Orders Lead To June Graduation

Seniors made giant steps toward the future and graduation by ordering their announcements in early November. Signs hung everywhere around school advertising accessories that would be sold, such as calling cards, memory books, souvenir covers, thank you notes, keys and appreciation gifts. Other than the announcements, the memory book was the most popular item, which was a personalized account of the year that Seniors wrote themselves.

ABOVE: Carefully watching Mr. Edwards take her announcement order, Kathy Edmiston moves one step closer to graduation. RIGHT: Stacks of Memory Books wait to become personal records for the class of 1977.

"Horses are a valuable part of my life, I don't know what I would do without them," said senior Julie Anne Levinson, who has been riding and showing since 1972. She and her horse Chismet have been champions on the peninsula for the past three years. Together they have won more than 325 ribbons and 65 trophies. The Penninsula Horseman's Association awarded them the Large Pony Highpoint Award for 1973, 1974 and 1975. They also received the Hampton Horse and Pony Modified Olympic Trophy for 1973 and 1975.

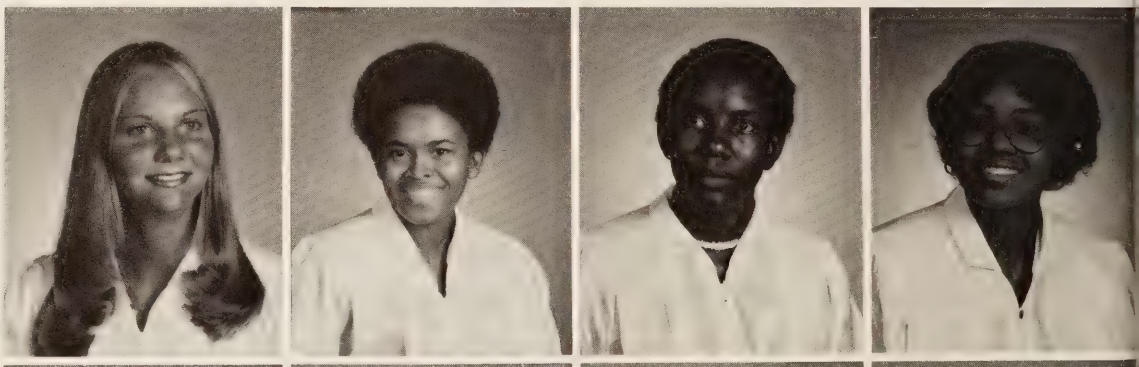
When asked if they had any special talent which they had been recognized for, some seniors replied:

My brilliance . . . CHARLES BROWN
I have a natural aptitude toward Chemistry . . . PRABHAV MANIYAR

Seniors Exhibit Special Talents

Executing a magnificent jump, Julie Anne Levinson and her horse Chismet complete an award winning performance.

ANN GRAHAM
French Club 2,3; Keyettes 2,3.
SHERYL "POO POO" GRAHAM
SCA Parliamentarian 3; DECA 1; Majorette 2,3; SAE 2,3; Library 2,3; Attend. Asst. 3.
JENNIFER "GENNY" GRANGER
LISA GRANT
Drama 1; Track 1,2,3; Girls Basketball 1,2,3.



FRANKLIN GREENE
Science Club 2,3; Chess Club 3.
TIM GREGORY
DAVID GRIFFITH
MARY GRUBBS

CONNIE GUARDIA
DEBRA GLYNNE GURLEY
French Club 2,3; V. Pres.; AFS 2,3; SCA 2,3; FBLA 3; Keyettes 1, 2, V. Pres. 3; Class Sec. 2,3.
PATSY "PAT" GUY
Band 1; Cheerleaders 2,3; SAE 1,2,3; NHS 2,3; Gymnastics 1, 2,3; Track 1.
JAMES JOSEPH "JOEY" HAMER
Art Club 2,3; Spanish Club 1,2.

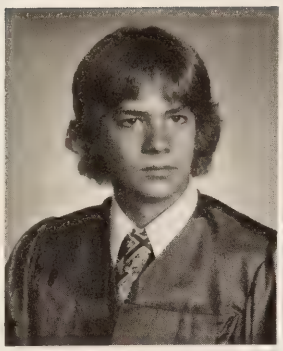
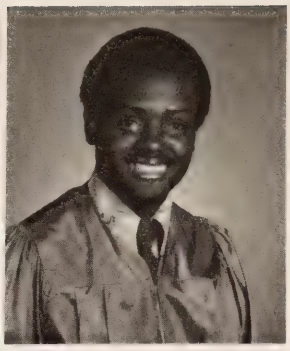
KAREN SUZANNE HAMRICK
FBLA 2,3; Keyettes 1,2,3.
DEBORAH ANN "DEBBIE" HANCOCK
Spanish Club 1,2,3; FBLA 3; Drill Team 1.
JAMES "JIMMY" HARDISON
Golf 3.
JODY HARRINGTON
VICA 2,3; ICT 2,3; "Miracle Worker" 1.

BERNADETTE "BERNIE" HARRIS
Science Club 2,3; Cheerleader Co-Capt. 1,2,3; SCA 3; SAE 2,3; NHS 2,3; Track 1; Gymnastics 1,2; FHA 2, Pres. 3; Girls State 2.
DONNA "DEE DEE" HARTLESS
Latin Club 1,2; German Club 1; SCA 1,2,3; Keyettes 2,3.
KAREN LYNNE HATCHER
DECA 1,3; SCA 1,3; Drill Team 1,2; Keyettes 2,3.
THAD HAWTHORNE

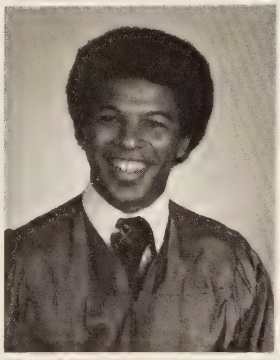
TOM HAYES
SCA 1; Key Club 2; Pres. 3; Baseball 1; Basketball 1; Football 3.
LONNIE "HOP" HECKSTALL
Football 2,3.
DEBRA "DEBBIE" HENDERSON
SCA 1; Windjammer 2,3; Hockey 2,3; Hello Dolly 2.
CASSANDRA "SANDY" HENDERSON
VICA 2,3; ICT 2,3; A Capella 1,2.

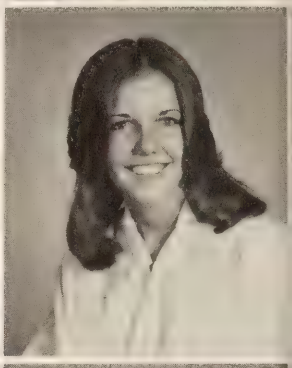
IRIS LORRINA "WOODY" HICKS
DECA 1,2,3.
PATRICIA "PAT" HICKS
NJROTC 1,2,3.
JAMES HIGGINS
ICT 3; NJROTC 1,2,3; Track 1; Wrestling 1.
BONNIE HILES
SCA 1,2,3; Class Council 1, 2,3.

GLEN HOFFMAN
DANIEL "RABBIT" HOLLOMAN
Art Club 1,2,3.
CYNTHIA ANN "CINDY" HOLT
Pep Club 2; FBLA 2; DECA 1; Att. Off. Assist. 1,2,3.
SANDRA HORTON
Band 1,2,3; Art Club 1,2,3; Spanish Club 1,2,3; Track 1,3.

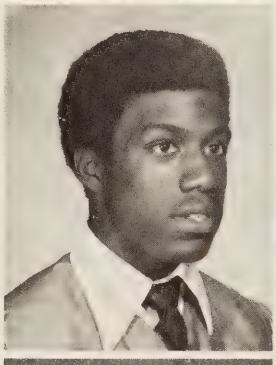
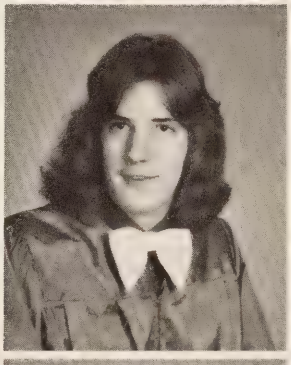



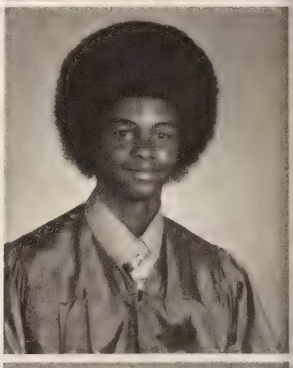
MICHAEL "SNAKE" HOWELL
RANDY HUGHBANDS
Science Club 1; Math Club 2,3; Computer 1,2,3.
RICKY HUGHES
CAROLYN ANN HULL
Drill Team 1,2; Bat Girl 2; Off. Assist. 2.





ERIC "BUTTER BEAN" HUNDLEY
WAYNE HUNTER
BRENDA HUSSION
French Club 1,2; SCA 1; Keyettes 2,3; Library 2; Off. Assist. 3.
JOHN INGRAM
Band 1,2,3; Track 1,2,3.



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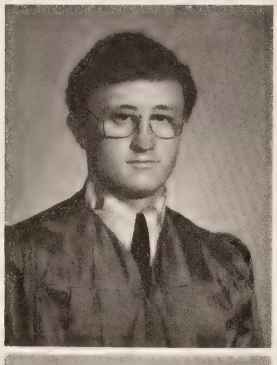
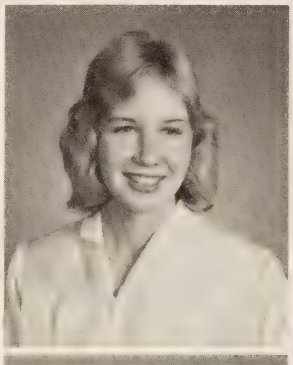
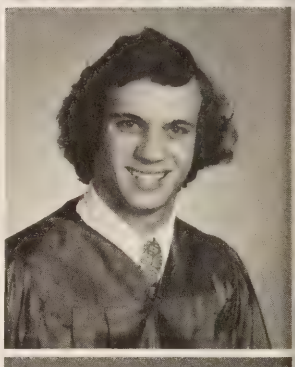
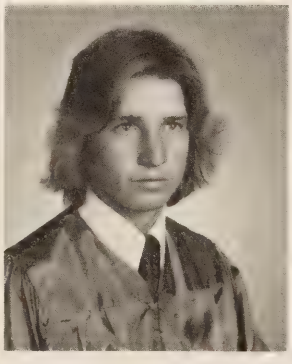
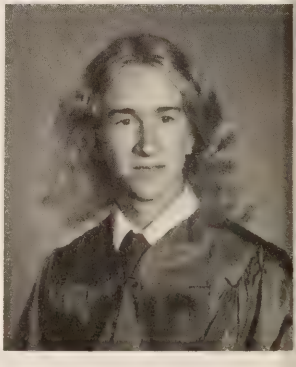
ROBERT JACKSON



FRANK JAMES
Band 1,2; SCA 2,3; NHS2,3; Basketball 1,2,3.
SHARON JARRETT
BRENT "BEAT" JOHNSON
French Club 1; SCA 1,2; Football 1,2,3.
DAVID JOHNSON

KETURAH "KITTY" JOHNSON
Spanish Club 2; Keyettes 2.
PHYLLIS JOHNSON
Majorettes 1,2,3; Helm 1; Class Council 1,2,3; Varsity Club 2,3.
SHIRLEY "MAE MAE" JOHNSON
Pep Club 2,3; DECA 1; FHA 1,2,3; Off. Assist. 2,3.
BRENDA JONES

JANE "JOY" JONES
FBLA 2; DECA 1.
RIDLEY JONES
Drama 2,3; French Club 2; AFS 1,2,3; Gymnastics 1; Varsity Club 2,3.
ADRIENNE ADONICA "DRENA" JUNE
SCA 1,2; ICT 2; Pres. 3; Keyettes 2,3; NHS 2, Sec. 3; Varsity Club 2,3.
AMY KEANE

WANDA KERSEY
KAREN KNEMEYER
Spanish 3; Campus Life 1,2,3.
PATRICK "PAT" KIRK
Key Club 2,3; Baseball 1,2,3; Varsity Club 2,3.
JOHN "KOJAK" KOZAK

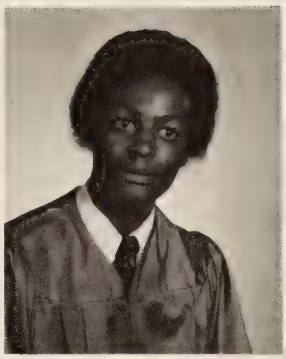
Students watch with mounting interest as seniors perform their homecoming skit.

Angelic Seniors Amuse Students

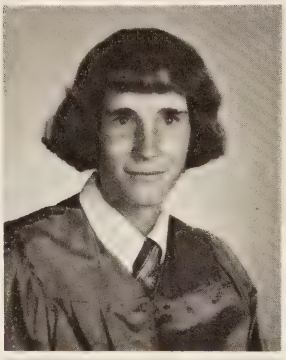
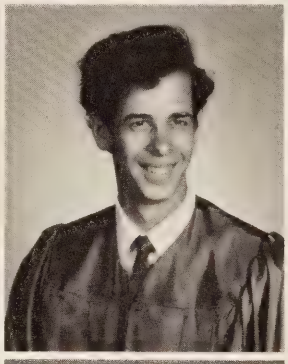
"I got it! I got it! . . ." Students watching the senior homecoming skit had a hearty laugh as their eyes rested on the rather angelic scene of two football players, wearing halos and tutus, throwing a ball. Surrounding the players were other so-called angels who mockingly repeated everything they said. The skit was amusing because of the unusual way it was organized and the assumption that Ferguson football players are really angels in disguise.

MAC LAMBERT
Madrigals 2,3; A cappella 1, 2,3; Regional Chorus 1,2.
DARRYL "D.J." LANE
Band 1,2,3; Art Club 1; ICT 1; NJROTC 1,2,3; Football 1,2.
MARSHALL LANE
STEVE LANNING
AFS 2; Helm 2; MARINER 2, 3; Windjammer 2,3.

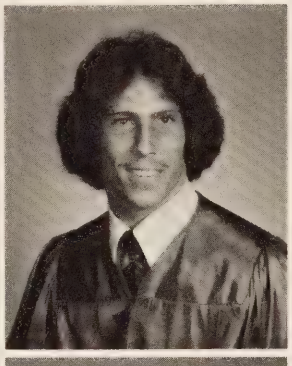
PETER LAUGHLIN
Tennis 1,2.



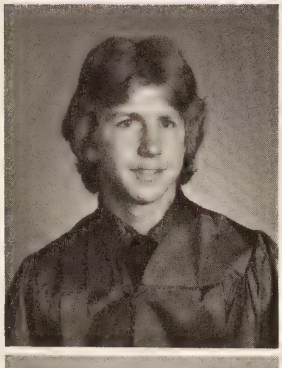
PETER LEDFORD
Band 1; NJROTC 2,3.
JULIE LEVINSON
Spanish Club 2,3; SCA 2; SAE 1; Majorette 2; Varsity Club 3.
EDWARD "TRELL" LITTLE
Art Club 1,2,3; Science Club 1,2,3; French Club 2; SAE 2,3.

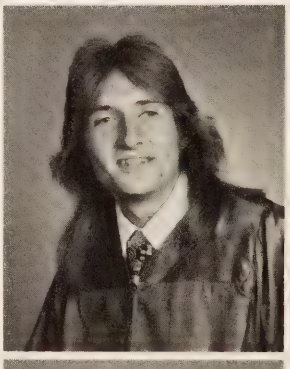
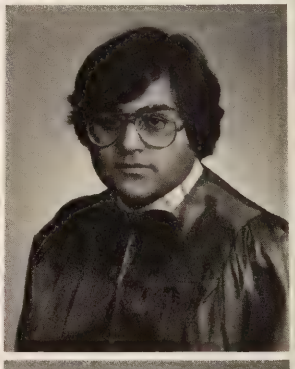



EARLENE LINNETTE LIVERMAN
NJROTC 2; SCA 3; FBLA 3.
SUSAN LONG
ALLAN LOWE
CONSTELLA MACK
FBLA 1,3; DECA 1.



JAMES "JIM" MAGUIRE
Band 1,2; Drama 1,2.
LINDA MAGUIRE
Madrigals 2,3; State Chorus 2; SCA 2; NHS 2,3; Hockey 2,3.
JOSEPH "JOE" MAHONE
ICT 2; NJROTC 3.
PRABHAV MANIYAR
Forensics 1,2; Science Club 2, 3; Latin 1,2; Computer Club 2,3; Chess Club 1,2,3; Key Club 1,2,3.



CYNTHIA "CENT" MANLEY
Art Club 3; FBLA 3; SAE 3; Track 2.
REBECCA "BECKY" MAUSTELLER
Drama 2; Spanish Club 1,2; SCA 1,2,3; Keyettes 1,2,3; Helm 1,2; NHS 2,3; Hockey 2,3; Golf 3; Varsity Club 3.
SANDRA MARROW
COPPER MAYNOR
Drama 2; Basketball 2, Campus Life.

DAVID MCALLISTER
ELISABETH "LISA" MCAVOY
Spanish Club 3; Latin Club 1, 2; AFS 3; SCA 1,2,3; Keyettes 3; Class Treas. 1,2,3; NHS2,3.
SUSAN MCCOY
QUEENIE "QUEEN BEE" MCCUTCHEN
Band 1,2,3; SAE 3.

BUCKY MCLAUGHLIN
ICT 2,3.
JANETTE "JAN" MCMILLAN
Drama 3.
PERCELL MCNAIR
Football 2,3; Track 2,3.
KATHY "SPARKLES" MCNAMARA
Drama 2; Spanish Club 1; FBLA 1,2,3; DECA 1; Keyettes 2; Volleyball 3.

Amusement is shown by Sam Yu as Randy Hughbanks illustrates the students' opinion toward cafeteria food.

Classes Squabble Over Place To Gobble

Not realizing that Seniors alone are priveleged to eat where they please, the underclassmen this year invaded the Senior Cafeteria and treated themselves to some off-campus lunching as well.

Infuriated Seniors fought to retain a segregated cafeteria, free from the nuisance of the underclassmen. Throughout the first weeks of school, Mr. Walters stationed himself bravely in the Senior eating area, ridding it of the undesirables.

As if this was not enough, the Seniors announced every morning and afternoon that the Senior Cafeteria is so named because it is for Seniors. By mid-year, the battle was won and the cafeteria once again became the elite place to eat.

Asserting their strength, the Seniors next planned to take over the world.

TERI "DIMPLES" MCPHERSON
Madrigals 3; Spanish Club 2,3; SCA 3; FBLA 2,3; NHS 2,3; Hockey 3; Vollyball 1,2,3.
MICHAEL "MIKE" MEE
Forensics 2,3; Latin Club 3; AFS 3; Campus Life 1,2,3; NJROTC 1; Key Club Pres. 2, 3; Lab Assist. 3; Cross Country.
LAWRENCE MERCADO
FBLA 3; ICT 3.
CATHLEEN "CATHY" MILLER
Spanish Club 3; FBLA 2.

CHRISTINE "CHRIS" MINA
Spanish Club 3; French Club 3.
DAVID MITCHELL
PAM MITCHELL
JOHN RYAN MONROE
Drama 2,3; Spanish Club 1,2; French Club 2; AFS 1,2,3; Helm 1; NHS 2,3.

DEBRA "DEBBIE: MOORE
JESSE MOORE
Track 1,2,3; Football 2,3.
TAWANNIA "WANDA" MORGAN
VICA 2; NJROTC 1; Drill Team 3.
PATRICIA "CAROL" MORRIS
Spanish Club 1; AFS 1; SCA 1,2; Keyettes 1,2; Ring Dance Comm. 2.

Seniors Sweep Honors For Decorations, Pep

Spirit week was a predominately Senior event this year, with that class winning both the spirit stick at the pep assembly and the prize for the best hall decoration.

Senior creativity spotted the halls, covering the walls and ceilings with hundreds of blue and white dots. Winning the prize for the third time, the Seniors were proud of their accomplishment.

Dressing up for Fifties Day and Little Boy-Little Girl Day, the Seniors added to the enthusiasm of Spirit Week.

Filling a large bag with balloons, Elizabeth Stanton, Tracey Hixson and Roslyn Smith work to prepare a cloud of balloons to fall over the senior section in the Spirit Week Pep Assembly.

CYNTHIA MOSLEY
A. GARLAND "GOOF" MOSELEY
Spanish Club 1; Chess Club 1, 2; Windjammer 1; Wrestling 1,2,3.
DENNIS MULCAHY
Soccer 3.
MICHAEL "MIKE" MURRAY
NJROTC 1,2,3.

SHARON NIXON
French Club 3; Drill Team 2; Keyettes 3; Hockey 3; Varsity Club 3.
JULIETTE NICHOLSON
Drama 1,2,3; French Club 3; NHS 2,3.
APRIL NAUMAN
Drama 1,2,3; Art Club 2; German Club 1; Keyettes 2,3; Windjammer 2,3.

CYNTHIA "CINDY" OLIVER
Drama 1,2; Spanish Club 2; Chess Club 1; Cheerleader 1,2,3.
CYNTHIA OSS
ROBERT "OZZIE" OSTEBERG
Chess Club 3; DECA 1; Key Club 3.
JENNIFER OVERMAN
DEBRA "DEBBIE" OVSAK
AFS 2,3; FBLA 3; Keyettes 2,3.

KEVIN OWSLEY
Science Club 2; Guitar Club 2,3.
MARY PAGE
DALE PAINTER
Band 1; DECA 1,2.
CYNTHIA "LUMMY" PARSON

MARTIN A. PAINE
Band 1,2,3; Key Club 2.
WILLIAM "PERK" PERKINS
Band 1,2; NJROTC 1.
AMY PERRY
SAE 1.
GREG PERRY
Weight Lifting 2; Wrestling 1,2.

Shuffling notes at the homecoming assembly, Janet Turner, Heather Dow, and Evelyn Watkins prepare to announce the homecoming court.

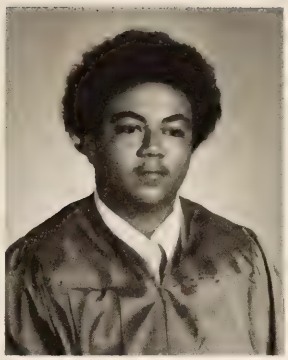
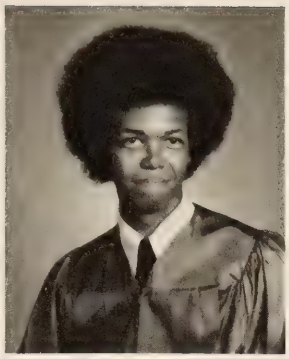
Students who were interested in going to college visited Menchville High School for the annual college night in November. This year each college or university was set up in booths or tables giving the place a mall-like appearance. Some schools showed slides and all had continuous programs. An alumni or professor talked about their school while also giving information about expenses, admissions requirements and school accreditation.

Students Shop Around For Colleges

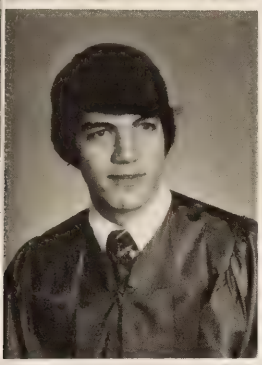
JACQUELINE "JACKIE" PERRY
Science Club 1, Sec. 2; French Club 1,2,3; SCA 2; Keyettes 2,3; SAE 2,3; NHS 2,3; FHA 2,3, V. Pres.
ROSE M. "RED" PERRY
Madrigals 3; Art Club 3; SCA 3; Acapella 1,2,3.
STEVE PETOCK
BONITA LA'VETTE "NITA" PETTAWAY
NJROTC 2,3; Acapella 3.

BARBARA PHIPPS
LORRAINE PHILLIPS
Spanish Club 3; Office Assist. 2.
THOMASINE "BUNNY" PHILLIPS
Pep Club 1,2,3; Gymnastics 1, 2; Track 1,2,3.
CATHY PIERCE
Drama 3; French Club 1,3; FBLA 1.

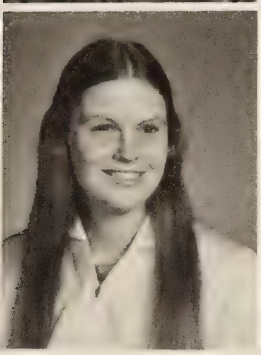
DEBRA "DEBBIE" PIERCE
Drama 3; FBLA 2,3; DECA 3; Drill Team 3; Keyettes. 3.
KIRK PORTER
Madrigals 3; Drama 1,2,3; Thespian 3; Acapella 1,2,3.
MICHEAL POWELL
SANDRA RANDALL

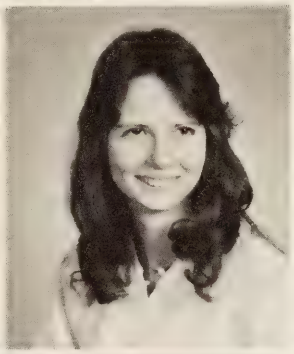



BEVERLY "BEV" REYNOLDS
Madrigals 3; Latin Club 2, Sec. 3; Ecology Club 1; A-capella 2,3; Class Council 2,3.
ALONZO RICE
Drama 2; SCA 1; DECA 3; NJROTC 1,2,3.
ANTHONY RICHARDSON
REBECCA "BECKY" RICHARDSON
Spanish Club 3; Basketball 2, 3; Vollyball 1,2,3.



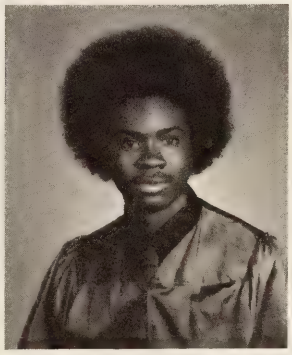
DAVID "D.R." RICHARDS
Drama 3; Science Club 3; Key Club 1,2,3; Football 1; Green House 3.
DOUGLAS GLEN "DOUG" ROATEN
Madrigals 1,2,3; AFS 3.
DIANE ROBINSON
Drama 2,3,; AFS 3; Helm 2; Windjammer 2,3; Volleyball 2,3.
TERRY ROGATZ
AFS 3; Helm 1,2; Mariner 2,3.

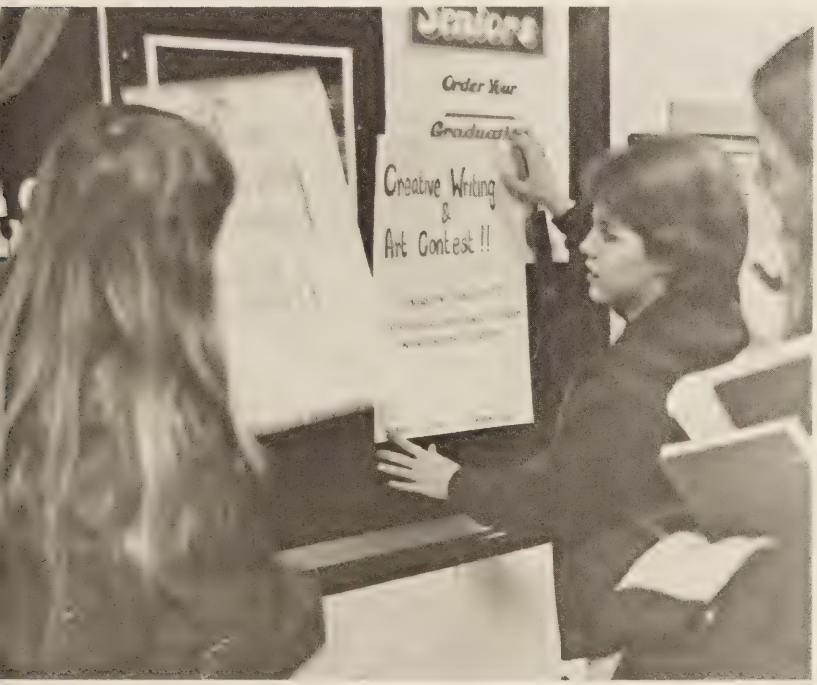




KRISTIN SUZANNE ROGERS
Drama 1; Spanish 2; AFS 1, 2,3; SCA 2; Keyettes 2,3.
MICHELLE ROGERS
ANYA ROSE
Drama 1,2; Pep Club 2; Volleyball 1;
KAREN ROURKE
Forensics 1,2; Spanish Club 2; AFS 2,3; SCA 2; Keyettes 2, 3; Helm 2;

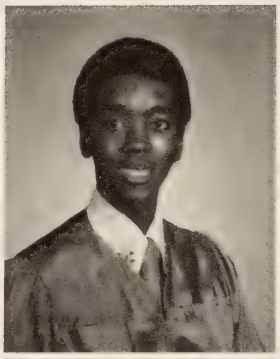
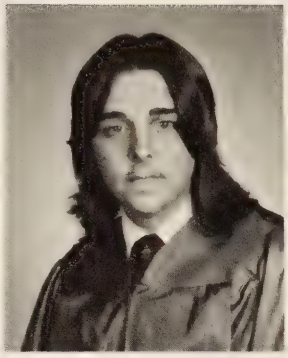
CORNELIUS RUFFIN



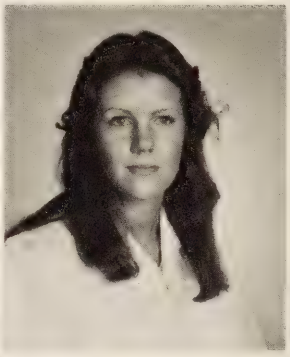
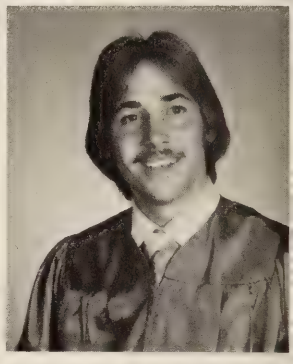


Keeping Seniors aware of school activities April Nauman, Becky Dunn and Becky Mausteller, post a notice on the bulliten board.

RICKY RUSS
DECA 1,2.
ROBERT RUTTER
Math Club 3; Chess Club 1,2, 3; Key Club 3.
PATRICIA "PATCHES" SASSES
THEONI TERESA SAVVAS
French Club 2; Cheerleader 1,2; SCA 1,2; Keyettes 1,2, 3; Track 3; Volleyball 3.

BEVERLY SAWYER
MARION VIRGINIA SAWYER
LISA SCHUMPERT
JACK "TONY" SCHWANER
Spanish Club 3; French Club 3; Math Club 2,3; Key Club 2,3.

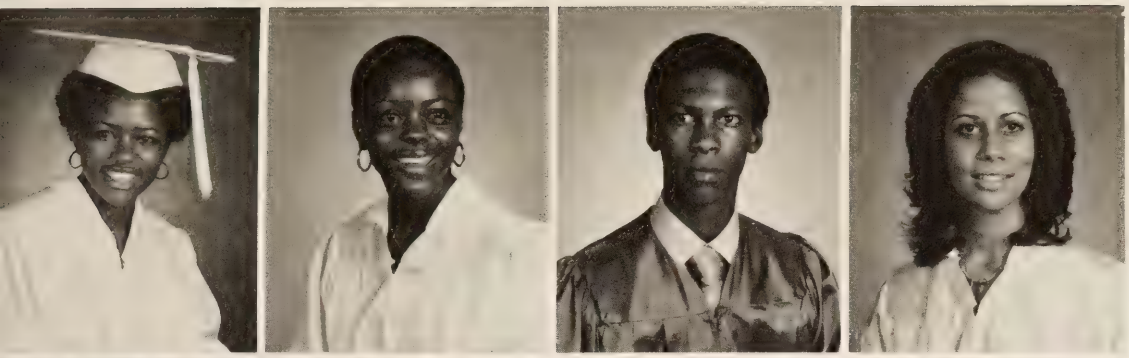
Seniors Look Ahead

Most Ferguson Seniors had a definite idea of where they were going after graduation. An Annual Staff survey showed that seventy-five percent of the Senior Class planned to go to college or a vocational school. The other twenty-five percent were either unsure about their future, or planned to get a job or enter the military.

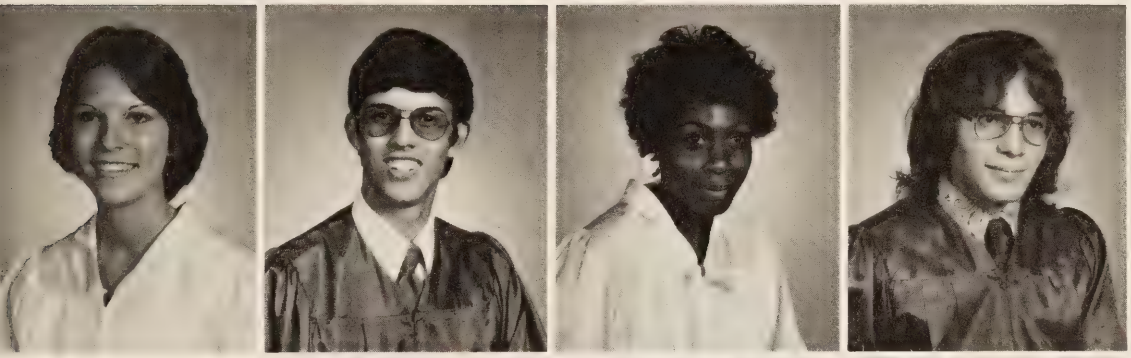
Among those who were uncertain about their plans, most expressed disappointment over their grades and SAT scores, and many didn't even take the SAT's.

In addition to college and other plans, about ten percent of the Seniors included marriage.

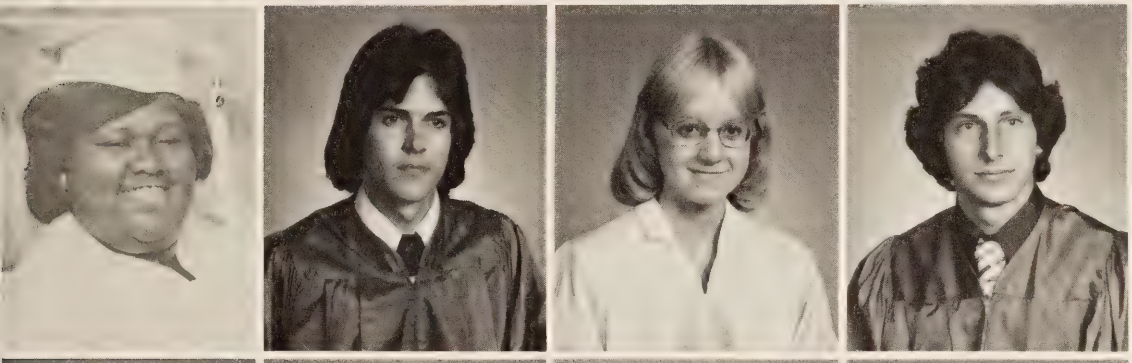
Anything that Pomeroy Brinkley needed to know about a school was found in the catalogs.



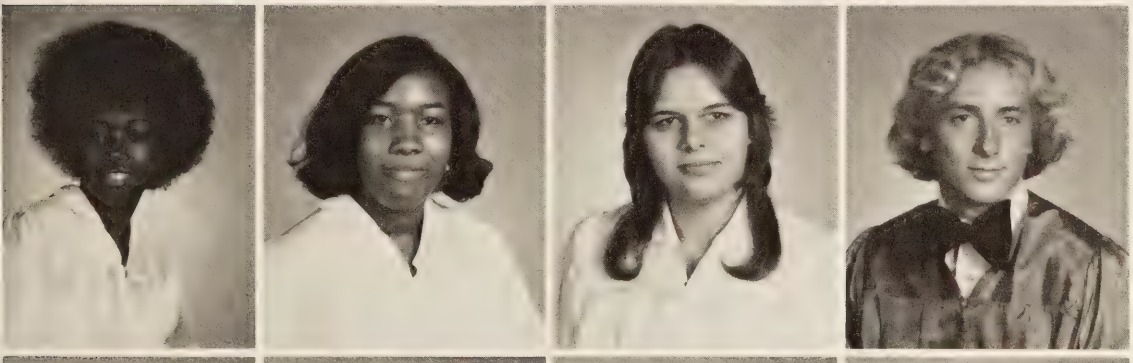
CHERYL SCOTT
STEPHANIE "PEANUT" SCOTT
Pep Club 3; Track 3.
TONY SCOTT
MARGOT SELDEN
AFS 2; DECA 3; FBLA 3; SCA 2; Pep Club 3.



SUSAN "DENISE" SHIELDS
Cheerleader 1; FBLA 3; Bat girl 1; Keyettes 2,3.
TIMOTHY SHORTT
VICA 2,3; ICT 3.
PATRICIA "EKIE" SIMMONS
Art Club 1; Math Club 1; DECA 1,2,3.
STEVE SIMMONS
Drama 2,3.



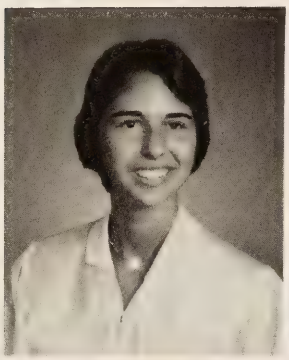
JEWEL SIMMS
Comp. Club 3; FBLA 1; SAE 3.
DOUG SIMPSON
VICA 2,3; ICT 2,3.
CLAUDIA SMITH
Drama 2,3; Science Club 1; Keyettes 2, Chap. 3; Windjammer 2, Ed. in Chief 3; Class Council 2; SCA 3.
JOHN SMITH
VICA 2,3; ICT 2,3; Key Club 2,3.

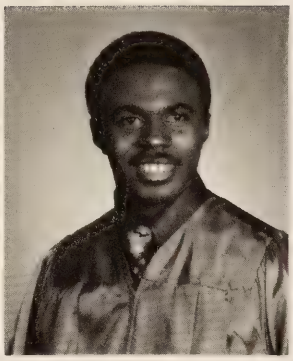


LINDA SMITH
ROSLYN SMITH
SANDRA KAY SMITH
Art Club 2,3; Windjammer 2; Mariner 2,3; Art Club Vice pres. 2.
RICKY SNYDER

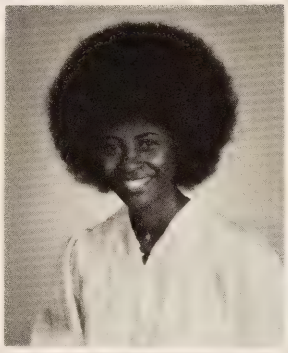
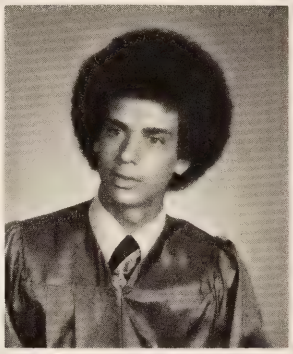
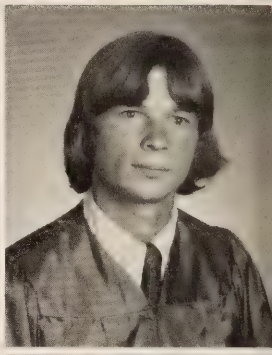
KEN SPENCER
Drama 2,3.
THOMAS SPIERS
Drama 1,2; DECA 1,2,3.
DAVID STALL
JAMES STALLINGS

PAMELA "PAM" STAMPER
SCA 2; FBLA 2, Sec. 3; Drill Team 3; Keyettes 2,3; SAE 1.
ELIZABETH STANTON
Drama 2,3; French Club 2,3; AFS 1,2,3; SCA 2; Keyettes 3; Class Chaplain 3.
DESI STATON
DIANE STAY

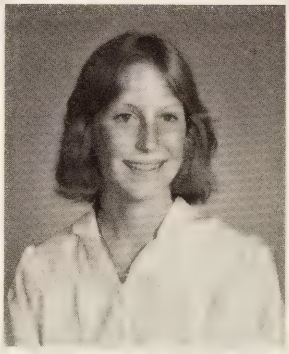


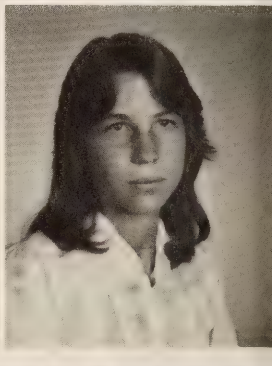


ANGELA TABB
Pep Club 2; DECA 1,2.
SHIRRELL "SHELLY" TALTON
Spanish Club 1; Pep Club 1; VICA 2; Track 3; Library Aide 2; Vo Tech 2; Volleyball 3.
DAVID TAPSCOTT
Latin Club 2; NJROTC 1; Key Club 2,3.
RONALD TARR

BRENDA TAYLOR
Pep Club 2,3; SCA 1,2; DECA 1,2.
NANCY TAYLOR
Drama 2,3; French Club 1,2; AFS 2,3; Math Club 1,3; Pep Club 1; Keyettes 2,3; Hockey 1,3.
SONDRA TERRY
Basketball 1,2,3.
SUSAN THORNTON
Band 2,3; Drama 2,3; Keyettes 2,3; Acappella 2.





FAR RIGHT: Balloons descend upon riotous Seniors at the Spirit Week assembly.
RIGHT: With arms upraised, Seniors shout for victory at another Mariner rally.

ANGELA TILLERY
KATHY TOTH
CAROL DENISE TRICE
Art Club 1; NJROTC 1,3.
DAYMOND TURNER

JANET TURNER
German 1; SCA 2,3.
DENISE VANN
Drama 1,3; Forensics 1,3.
TIMOTHY VANPYNE
RUTH VAUGHAN
Madrigals 3; Drama 2; NHS 2,3; SCA 2; AFS 12,3; Spanish Club 2; Acappella 1,2,3.

NANCY WALDROUPE
Art Club 1; Acappella 2; Gymnastics 1; Class Council 1,2,3.
JOHN WARBINGTON
Football 1,2,3.
ALBERT C. WARE
DEBORAH WARE

Spirit Is Senior Specialty

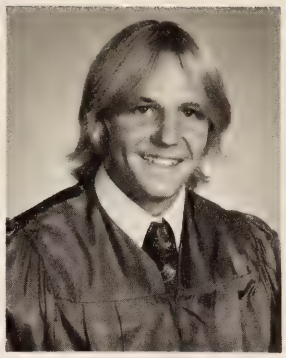
The seniors came up with some ingenious ideas for trying to win the spirit stick at the first pep assemblies of the year.

Placards and signs took the place of posters at the assembly before the Hampton game. Accompanied by noisemakers and buttons, the spectacle created by the class brightened up the gym and brought life and color to the assembly.

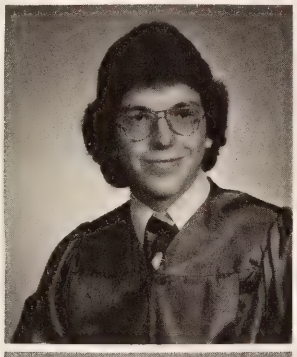
The balloons and streamers at the spirit week pep assembly were the most original attempts to win the spirit stick, and they did just that.

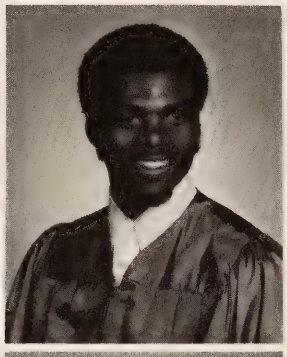
The Seniors proved that their spirit really was super.

LEE WARE
VICA 2,3; ICT 2,3; JV Football
WILLIAM "BILL" WASH
VICA 2,3; ICT 2,3; JV Baseball 1; Baseball 2,3; JV Basketball 1.
PAT WASHINGTON
EVELYN WATKINS
Science Club 2,3; Spanish Club 2; Pep Club 2; SCA 1,2,3; Drill Team 1; Keyettes 2.

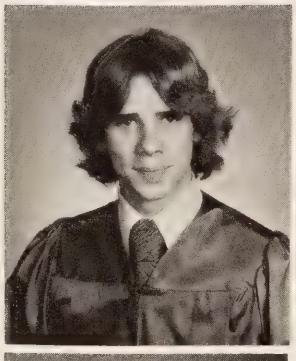


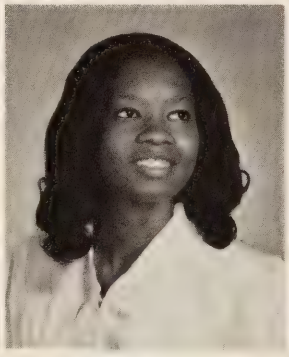
RANDY WATSON
Key Club 1,2,3.
WILLIE WATSON
DEBORAH "DEBBIE" WEBSTER
ROBERTA WEINSTEIN
AFS 2; Keyettes 2, Parl. 3; SAE 1,2; Windjammer 2; Track 1,2; Girls Chorus 2; Mariner Man. 1,2,3.





DAVID WELCH
CARLOS WHITAKER
Track 2.
EUDORIA WHITAKER
REGINA WHITAKER
JV Cheerleader 1; Pep Club 2; FBLA 1; Gymnastics 2,3.





LINDA WHITE

With visions of graduation dancing in his head, Doug Simpson is measured for his cap and gown by Josten's representative Bill Edwards.

Seniors Readied For Graduation

Graduation, always so far off yet still so soon, was never more tangible to a senior than when it came time to be measured for a cap and gown.

Seniors were called from their English classes to fill out orders and have their head size and height measured. After standing in long lines, the measurements were taken and each Senior was free to return to English and pray for the day of graduation.

DWAYNE WILLIAMS
JAMES ANTHONY WILLIAMS
LINDA WILLIAMS
Chorus 1.
WILLIE WILLIAMS
Band 1,2,3.

RODNEY WILLOUGHBY
MODELLA WILSON
Pep Club 2,3; Track 2,3; Basketball 1.
WILLIETTE WINDHAM
MARK WINSLOW

JEFFREY "JEFF" WINTER
Key Club 1,2,3.
TERRY WOOLARD
SCA 1,2; FBLA 1,2; Treas. 3.
HENRY S. WRIGHT
MATTIE WRIGHT

DAVID YAMAKI
JANI HEFNER
TRACEY HIXSON
MILDRED FAY IVEY

Juniors Open Year With Early Planning

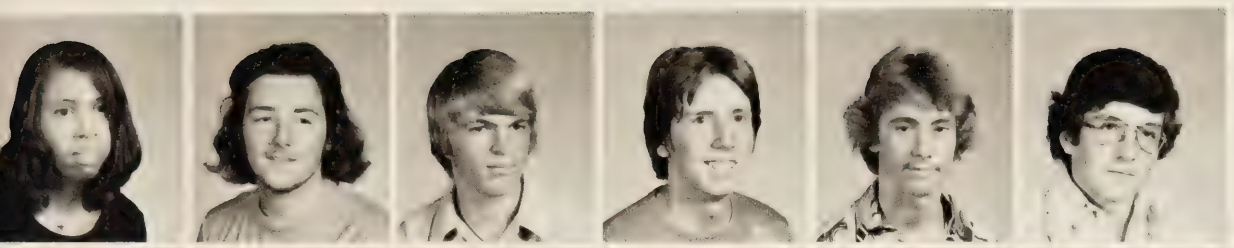
The officers for the 76-77 school year were working hard even before this school year started by getting together over the summer to talk about fund raising projects and Ring Dance.

Leading the class were: Jack Young, president; Ernest Johnson, vice president; Robin Brooks, secretary; Mattie Baker, treasurer and Dee-Dee Scott, reporter historian. With the help of class sponsor, Mr. Dwight Pinkett, the Juniors were off to a good start.

Junior Officers: Dwight Pinkett, adviser; Jack Young, president; Ernest Johnson, V-president; Robin Brooks, Sec.; Mattie Baker, Treas.; Dee Dee Scott, reporter.

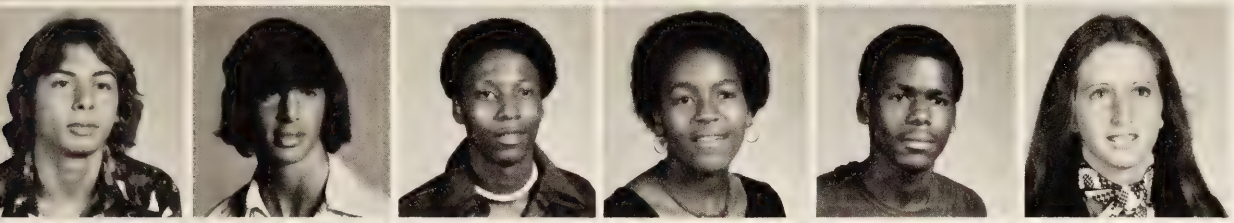
Donald Alexander
John Allen
Vernon Alston
Melanie Armstrong
Lorrain Artist
Kevin Ashburn

Deborah Ashlock
Ricky Ashworth
Randy Babcock
Liz Bailey
Stuart Bailey
Mattie Baker



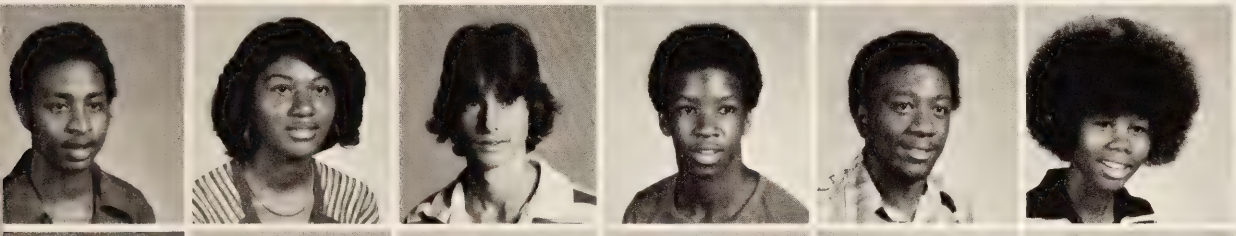
Dolly Banks
Robert Barbrey
Steve Barefoot
Wayne Barlow
Jim Barner
David Barns

Harry Barr
Mitchell Barrett
Larry Bell
James Bennett
Debbie Bernadini
Cris Berry



John Biers
Steve Binder
Earl Blair
Debra Blakeney
Lynn Blakeney
Mimi Block

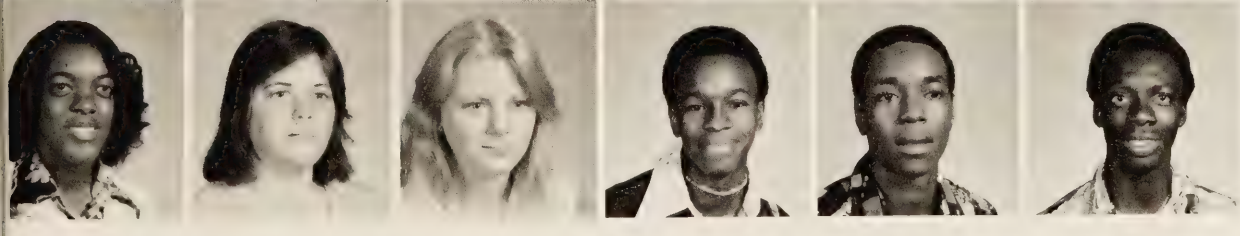
Lisa Boutchard
Terri Boyd
Jennifer Boyl
Lisette Bradley
Steve Bramlett
Brenda Branch



Floyd Branch
Pamela Braswell
Jimmy Brennan
Kelvin Brewer
Jeffrey Britton
Adrienne Brooks

Robin Brooks
Alexis Brown
Florence Brown
Mike Brown
Oscar Brown
Vickie Brown

Brian Bruce
Dolly Bryant
Patti Bryant
Tony Bumpers
Stuart Burke
Loni Burlingame



Margie Burnette
Sharon Burr
Georgene Burden
Harry Burden
Tony Butcher
Bobby Butler

Ernestine Byrd
Linda Byrd
Diane Calleson
James Campbell
Philip Campbell
Tyvan Campbell

Selene Carney
Debbie Carpenter
Reginald Carpenter
Ricky Carr
Betty Carter
Chantain Carter

Julia Carter
Lola Carter
Ronnie Carter
Sharon Carter
George Cash
Kenny Chapman

Theola Chapman
Vincent Cheeseman
Carl Cherry
Frankie Cherrye
Delmar Chestnut
Joan Christiensen

Mike Clark
Nora Clark
Rose Clark
James Clevinger
Ward Coleman
Mary Beth Colgan

Ricky Collier
James Collins
Michael Collins
Chris Conner
James Cooper
Wilbert Cousins

William Cousins
Winkie Creech
Steve Cullers
Robert Curtius
David Cutler
Steffie Cutler

Donna Dailey
Larry Dale
Carolyn Davis
Christopher Davis
Debra Davis
Keith Davis

Selling activities calendars was the first fund raising project for the Junior class. The new class sponsor, Mr. Dwight Pinkett, aided class efforts by arranging for his father to print the calendars.

The calendars were in the school colors and they listed such things as football and basketball games and dances.

Most Juniors got involved and worked hard to sell the calendars. This money raised went toward financing the Ring Dance.

Ring dance will be supported by the profits of the activity calendar Kelly Shockly buys from Jimmy Barner.

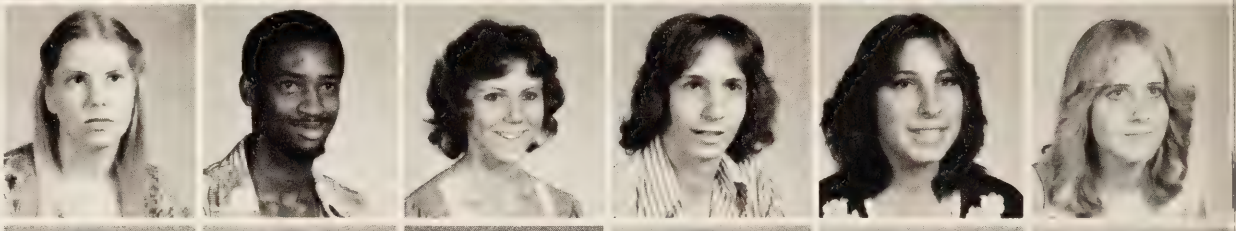
Calendar Sales Pin-Up Junior Class Treasury

Ronald Davis
Susan Davis
Jerry Dellapenta
Tyrone Deloach
Sandra Delozier
Marion Diamond

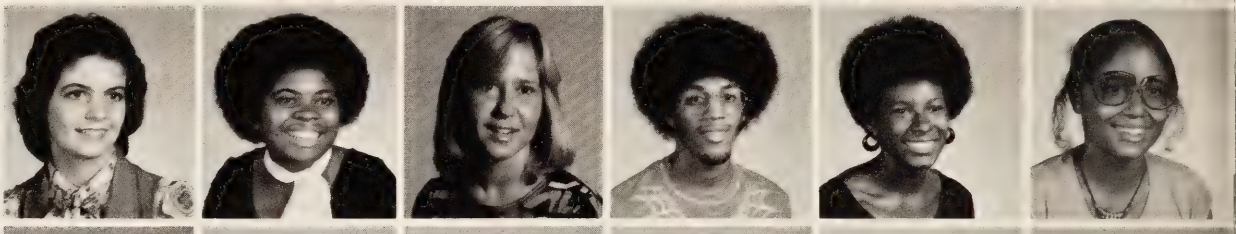
Samantha Dickson
Glenda Dozier
William Draughan
Mike Dreybus
Barbara Dudley
Timmy Duggins

Patricia Durrette
Gina Eason
Robert Elliot
Joseph Ellsworth
Doris Evans
Frank Evans

Gwyn Evans
Reginald Evans
Olivia Farmer
Jack Felch
Tammy Feldman
Beth Ferebee



Kathy Ferree
Linda Ferrell
Cissi Ferrell
James Fleetwood
Annette Fox
Patsy Foxe



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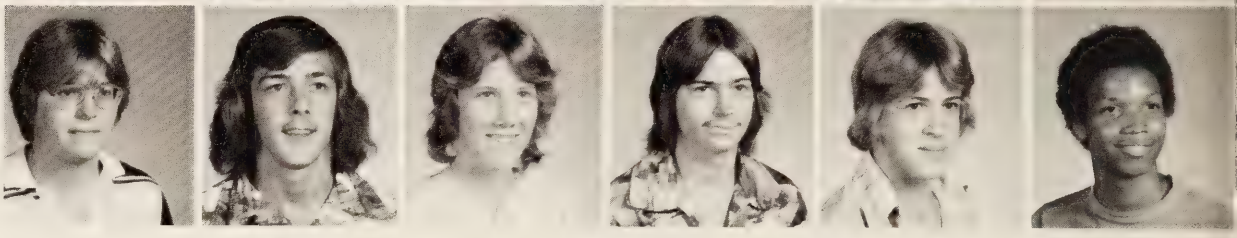
Edie Fryer
John Gabney
Jerry Garrison
Micheal Garris



French Cooking Arouses Spirit

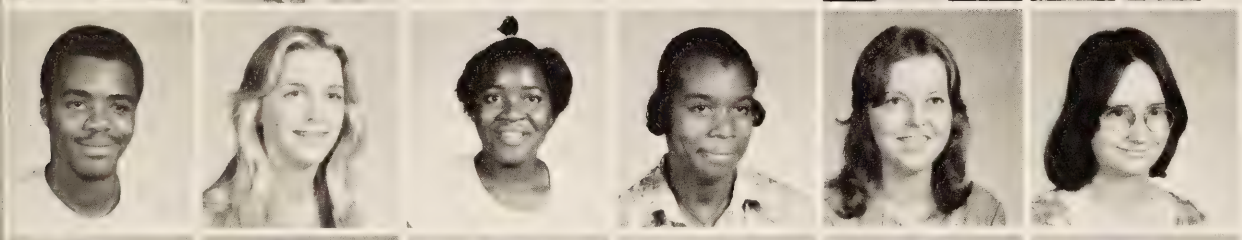
"Attention Ladies and Gentlemen, I would like to introduce to you The Galloping Goose," said a cute cooking assistant with a French accent to begin the Junior's Homecoming skit. Out walked the star of a French cooking show whose speciality of the day was "Hampton Crabber Stew."

A very strange assortment of ingredients including two crabby Hampton cheerleaders, a beat-up Hampton football player, and a fresh water crab were thrown into a large pot. They were mixed together and sweetened by a Ferguson cheerleader. Then the Juniors managed to convert the Hamton football coach into a Mariner by having him taste the stew.

Fresh-water crab, CarolAnn Woolard, flirts with John Allen and Tim Hyatt.

French cook, Tim Hughes, presents his guest Jack Young as the Hampton football coach.

Jack Gauthier
Jerome Gillis
Ernie Good
Janet Goodman
Kenny Graham
Dinah Gray



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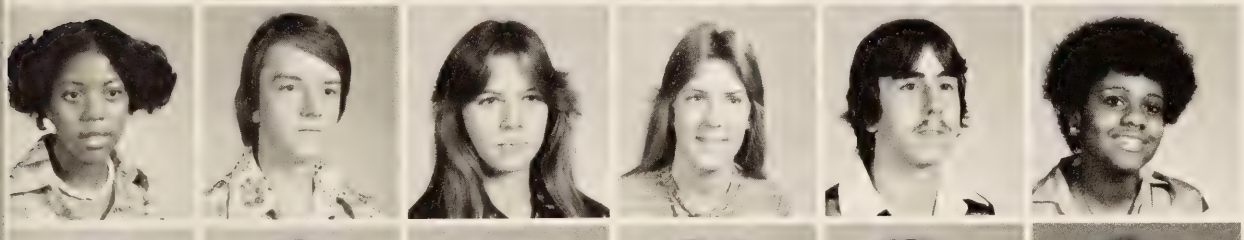
Barbara Green
Cheryl Green
Debbie Green
Judy Greene



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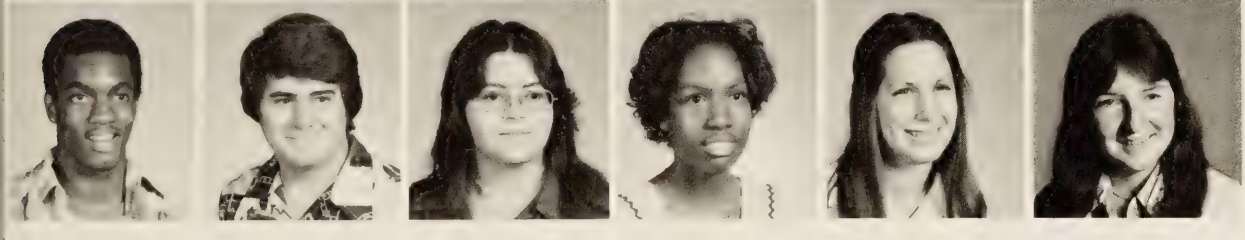
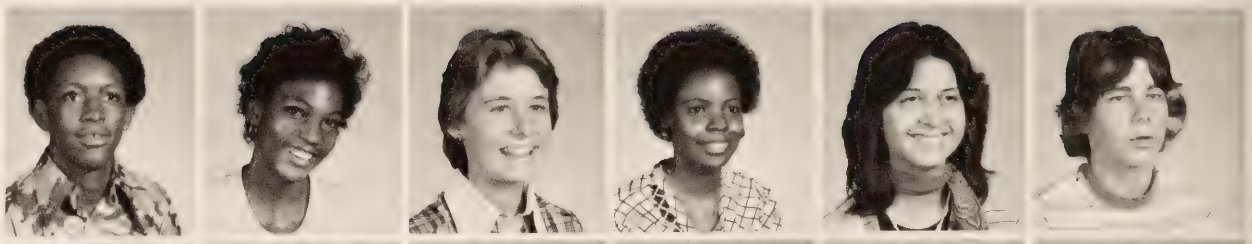
Alex Grenoble
Diana Grimaldi
Mary Grubb
Matt Grizzard
Kathlean Haggar



Ronald Haggar
Jimmy Hall
Olivia Hall
Katrina Hampton
Anna Hansen
Pam Harper

Derrick Harrell
Dianne Harrell
Regina Harris
Sharon Harris
Teresa Harris
Nicky Hartless



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Steve Hawkins
Carol Hawley
Phillip Hayden
Sharon Hazelwood
Ellena Heckstall

Sue Hekman
Kyle Helms
James Herbin
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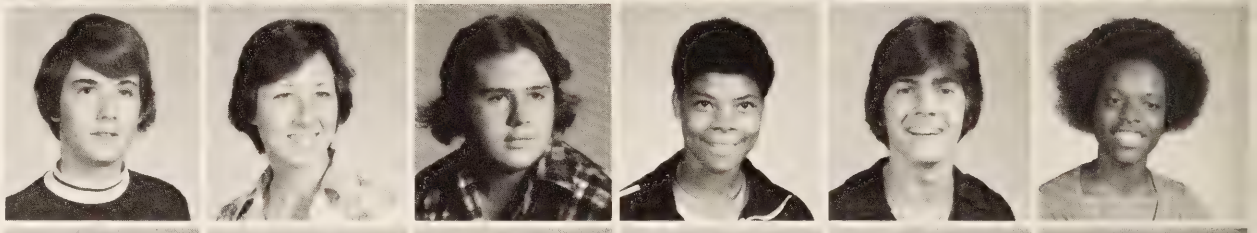
Ray Highsmith
Donald Holland

David Honeycutt
Ginny Hostetter
Dean Howell
Rosetta Hudson
Tim Hughes
Angela Hundley



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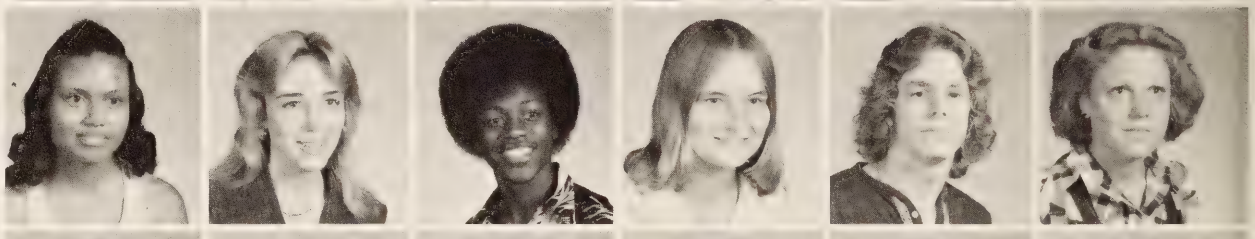
Margaret Hunt
Robert Hunt
Sue Hux
Tim Hyatt
Lorie Ickstadt



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Paul Jackson
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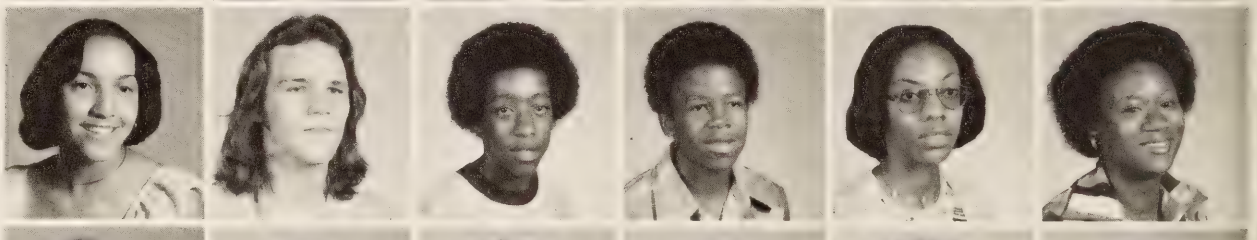
Brenda Jarrett
Wayne Jarvis
Dale Jennings

Gail Jennings
David Johnson
Lindsay Johnson
Norman Johnson
Rita Johnson
Cynthia Jones



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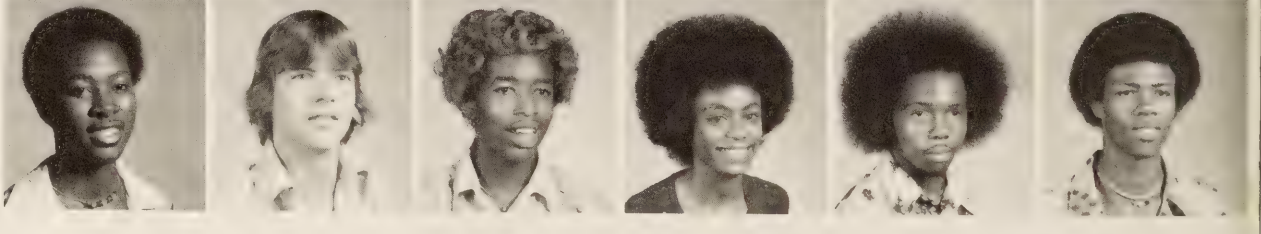
Willie Jordan

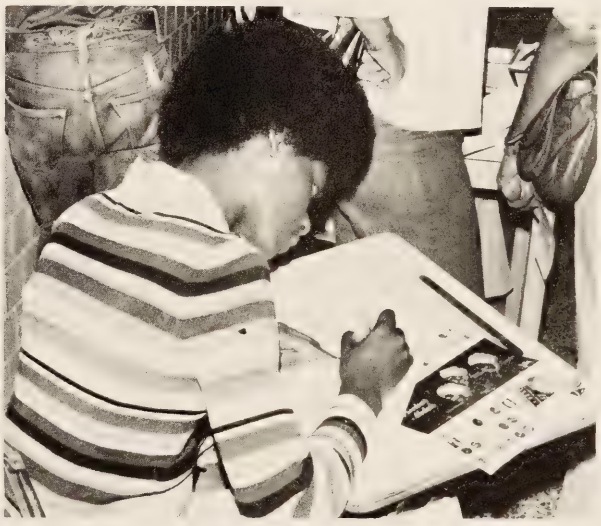


Which Class Ring Should I Order?

Filing down from their history classes, Juniors went to order class rings in October. Most were holding blank order forms and were confused about which type of ring to order. The Junior class officers and the Jostens ringman tried to help with order forms and sizing rings.

Completing the final step in ordering his ring, Mark Turner gets his finger sized.

With the help of the class ring brochure, Shirley Darden fills out her order form.



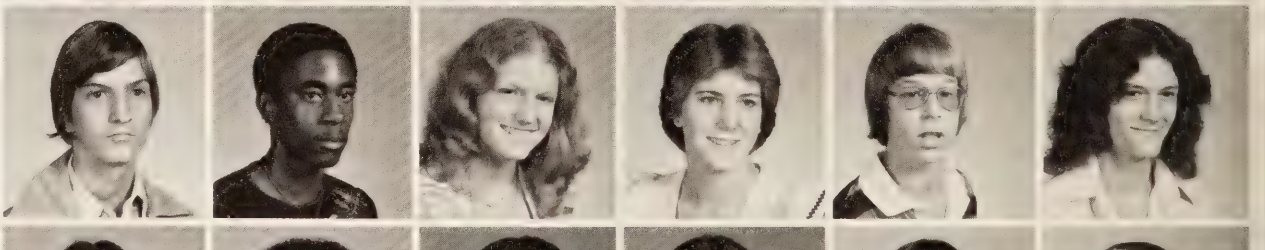
Maureen Mulcahy
Nancy Mullins
Gregory Myrick
Tim Nelson
Todd Nelson
Jeff Nesbitt

Before PSAT testing, Mr. Walters tells Crag Underhill to move away from Tim Hughes.

Carol Joyce
Rodney Joyner
Anna Kaherl
Vicky Kaiser
Garry Kates
Patti Keatts

Joel Kelly
Tim Kelly
Sharon Kennedy
Joey Keyes
Charles King
Jesse Kirby

Harry Knepp
James Knight
Karen Knight
Carol Kopelson
Neale Kosier
Bryan LaBelle



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Toni Langford
Connie Largena
Debbie Largena
Mark Lathrop
John Lawson

Bob Leake
Mark Ledford
Joanne Lefkowitz
Kathy Lemon
William Leonard
Betty Lewis

Brenda Lewis
Debbie Lewis
Pam Lewis
William Lewis
Kadi Linehan
Chris Long

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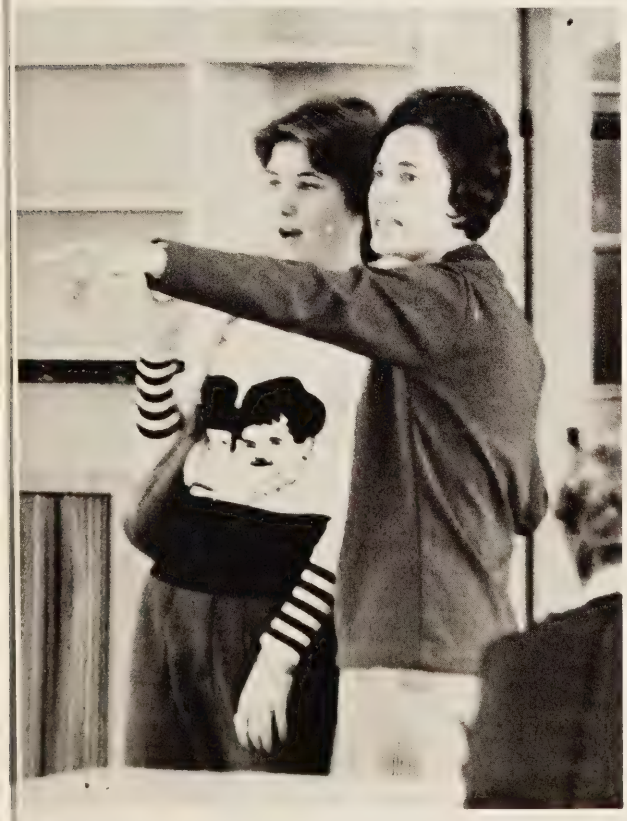


Testing 1 . . . 2 . . . 3

Juniors poured into the cafeteria for PSAT testing on an early October morning. Unsure of where to go, students were seated by guidance counselors, while the cafeteria hummed with conversation. The noise ceased when testing began.

Even though the Juniors missed their first three classes for the tests, after hours of filling in little dots, all were anxious for them to finish.

Guidance counselor, Peggy Biggins, directs Regina Harris to testing area.

David Mayo
James McCoy
Ginny McCoy
Wendale McCray
Kim McKee
Ruth McLawhorn

David McLean
Calvin McNair
Kellie McRae
Randy Mendenhall
Deanna Mendiguchia
Lawrence Miles

Hermon Miley
Douglas Miller
Susan Miller
Eva Minns
Gloria Minns
Terri Mitchell

Joyce Mizell
Mike Montgomery
Donna Moore
Leandra Moore
Rusty Moore
Todd Moore

Dressed for Little Boy--Little Girl Day Joanne Lefkowitz, Vicky Kaiser, and Robin Brooks head for the playground.

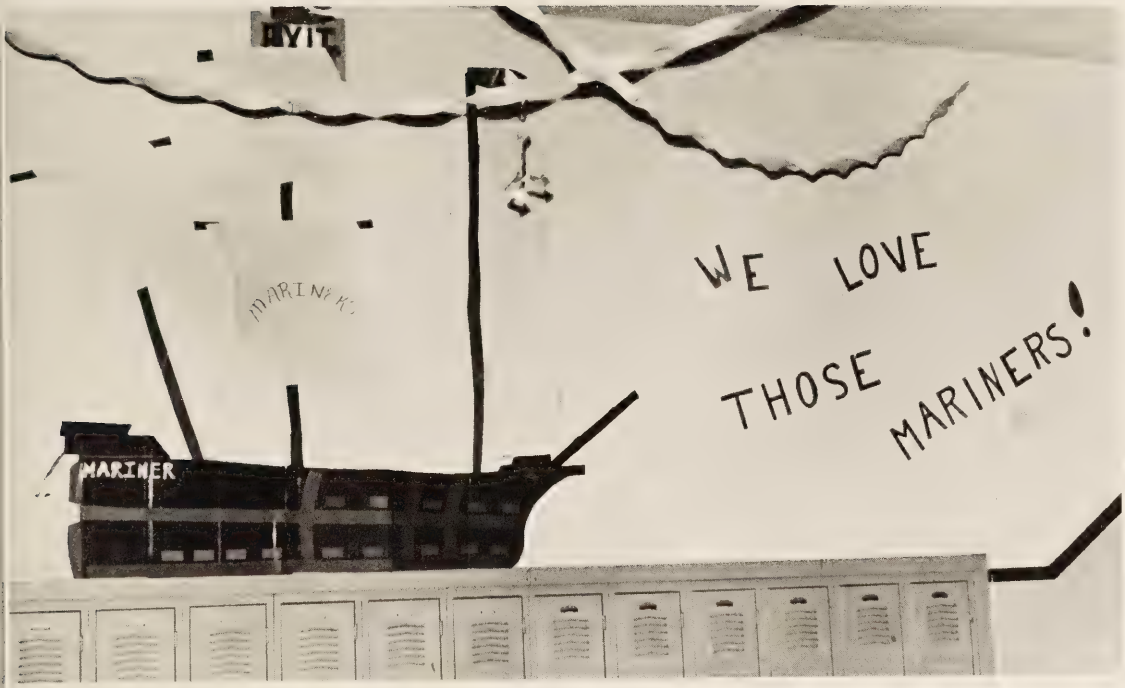
Be-Bopping 50's Day Jives Junior Spirit

Staying after school to prepare hall decorations, many Juniors got involved in Spirit Week activities.

Little boy--little girl day replaced the traditional hobo day. Few Juniors dressed up, but the ones who did went all out.

Wearing bobby socks, pony tails, and leather jackets, Juniors be-bopped through school on 50's day.

That night class members went to the game against Warwick in high spirits to cheer on the Mariners.



A mighty Mariner ship sails over lockers in the Junior's hall as a Spirit Week decoration.

Connie Morgan
Lorie Morgan
Kathy Morris
Mark Mortman
Mike Moseley
Elise Nettles

Russell Nevins
Diane Nichols
James Nichols
Richard O'Neil
Terrence Palmer
Dwight Parker

Nancy Parrott
Kenny Patterson
Cheryl Peach
Pam Perkins
Aleta Perry
Steve Perry

Thomas Phillips
Kelvin Pittman
Gwen Pointer
Mike Ponton
Angelia Pope
Tina Pope

Ring Dance Preparation Challenges Junior Class

Preparing for Ring Dance was not an easy job. For the many Juniors that did help it was a lot of hard work. Some had to come to school early in the morning to work on repairing the ring left from the year before. Juniors met at least twice a week to decide on the decorations, theme and most difficult of all, which band.

FACING PAGE: Liberated woman power shows Amazon strength needed to move 1976's ring form out of storage for redecoration. THIS PAGE: Juniors inspect the ring form to see what repairs will be needed.

Karen Roberts
Monique Ricks
Wanda Richardson
Sterlyn Reid
Ricky Redford
Robert Ray

Mark Radcliffe
Donald Pullen
John Price
Bobby Price
Beverly Price
Angela Pretlow

Raymone Robertson
Susan Robinsky
Monte Robinson
Shelly Robinson
Christine Rodwell
Evelyn Rogers

Ken Rogers
Susan Rogers
Sue Rogers
Kathy Rose
Bonnie Rosenbaum
Lisa Rowe

Ilene Ruben
June Salasky
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Mike Sechrest
Sherri Shepard
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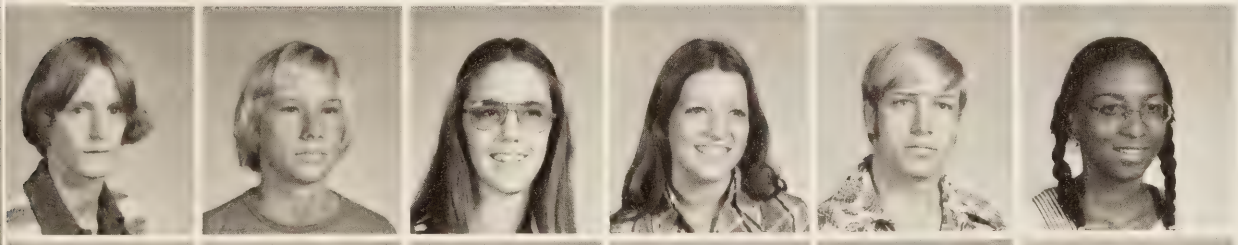
Jimmy Shook
Cathlyn Simpson



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Mark Slayton
Debra Smith
Lisa Smith
Marty Smith
Rosetta Smith

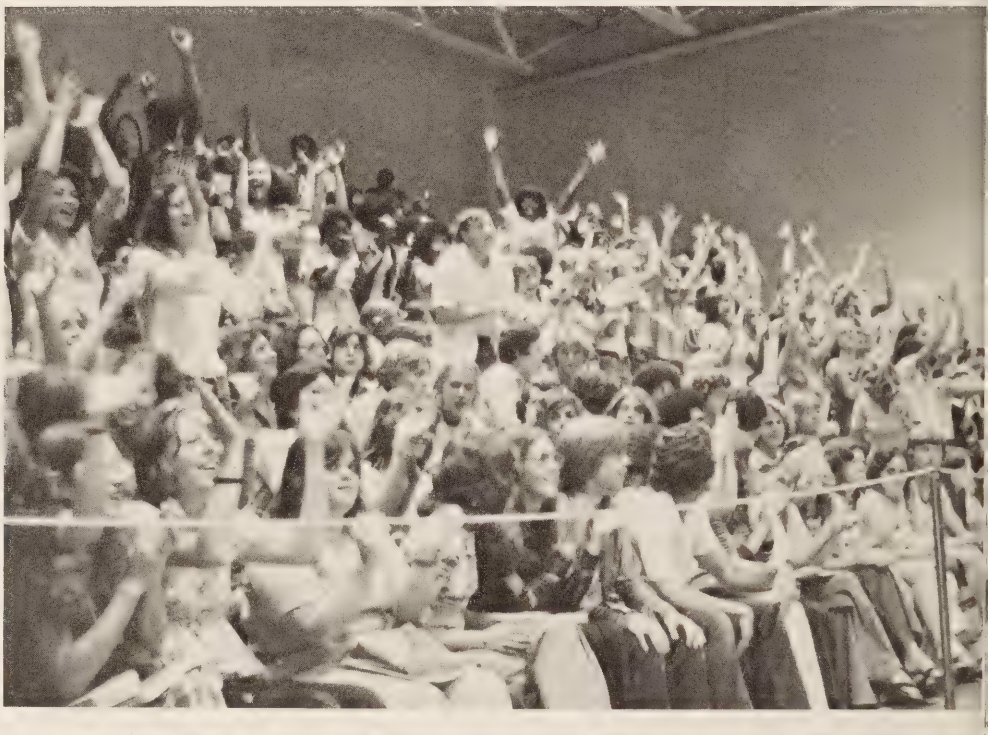
Steve Smith
Susan Smith
Bonnie Snapp
Charlene Stanton
John Sterling
Laura Sterling

Junior Spirit Keeps Pep Assemblies Lively

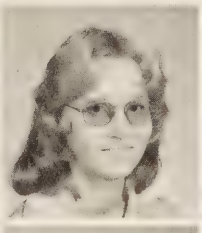
Juniors showing their spirit from the start of the year, were presented with the Spirit Stick at the first pep assembly and from then on were on their feet cheering at every assembly.

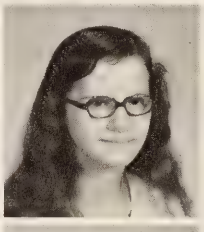
Some Juniors were reluctant to stand up and cheer, but the ones who were not reluctant, covered for them very well.

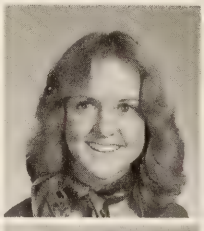
Spirit over rides Juniors as they cheer for their class.



David Stevens







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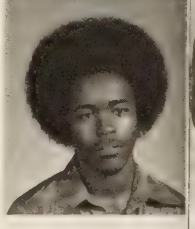

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Steve Tabscott
Anthony Teel

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Billy Thompson
Terri Thrift
Anthony Tucker
Alvin Tunstall

Sharon Tunstell
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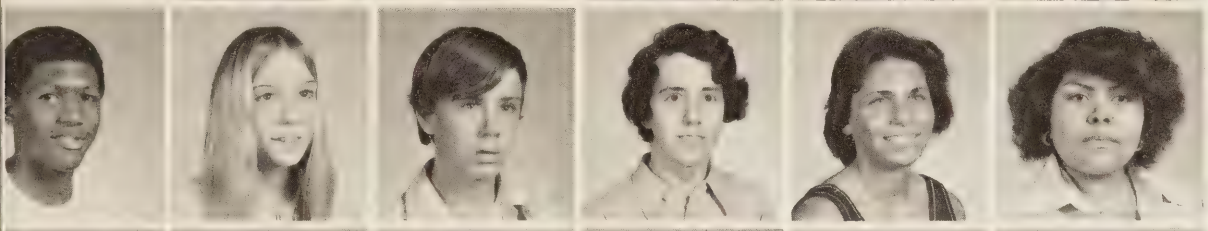

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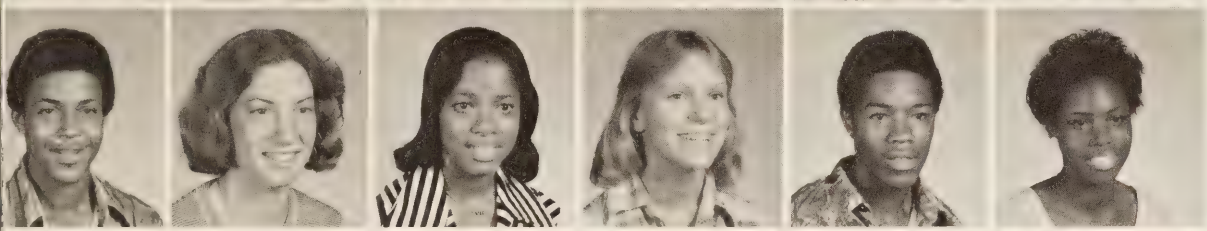

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Cortrelis Whitaker
Jean White
Barry Whitehead
Pat Wiggins

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Darlene Williams
Larry Williams
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Melvin Wilson
Tamara Wilson

Walter Wilson
Janice Windham
Joyce Woodham
Ruby Woods
Carol Anne Woolard
Nicky Wooten

Eddie Wright
Ricky Wright
Brenda Whynn
Jack Young
Raymie Young
Ronald Young

Mike Acree
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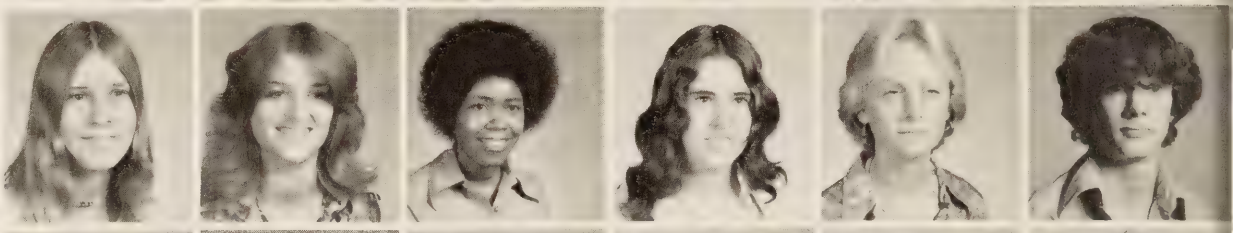

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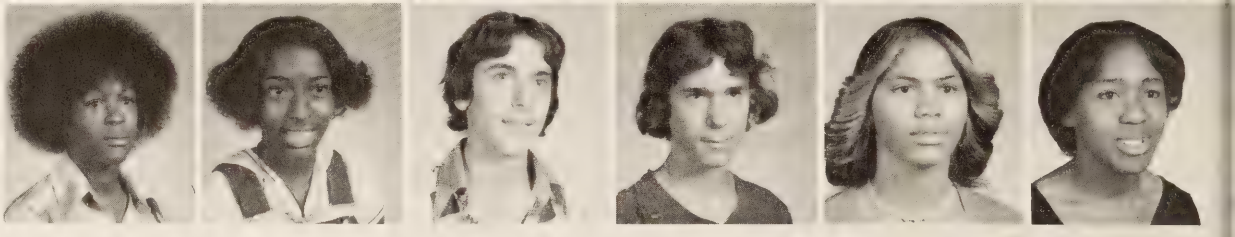
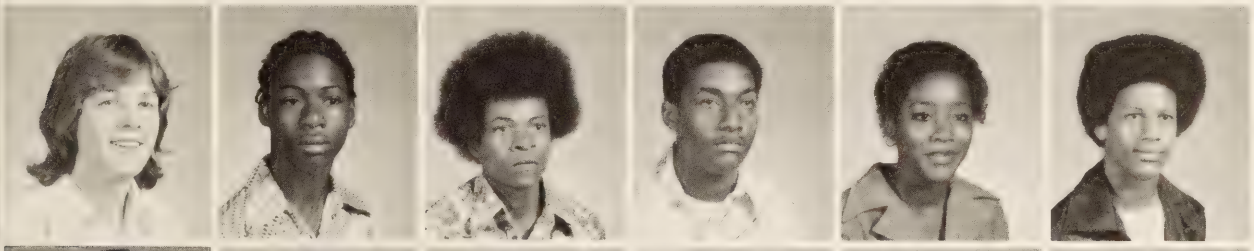


Sophomores Invade Mariner Country

"Where's the cafeteria?" "Where's my homeroom?" were among the questions on the minds of the sophomores on Orientation Day. Although Ferguson is a spacious building, Sophomores seemed to enjoy conversing with each other, compacted in the lobby, 600 strong. Excitement of coming to a new school and the curiosity of not knowing where anything was, shone on their faces. By the end of the orientation program many Sophomores were aware of school policies and were looking forward to to the beginning of school the next day.

Dazzled Sophomores greet each other after their exploration of Ferguson on Orientation Day.

Concentrating on finding their names, Marion Germain and Karen Simpson look for their homeroom numbers on Orientation Day.



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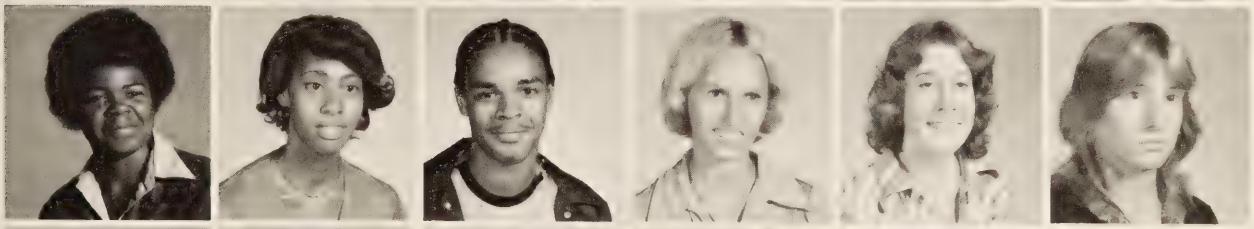

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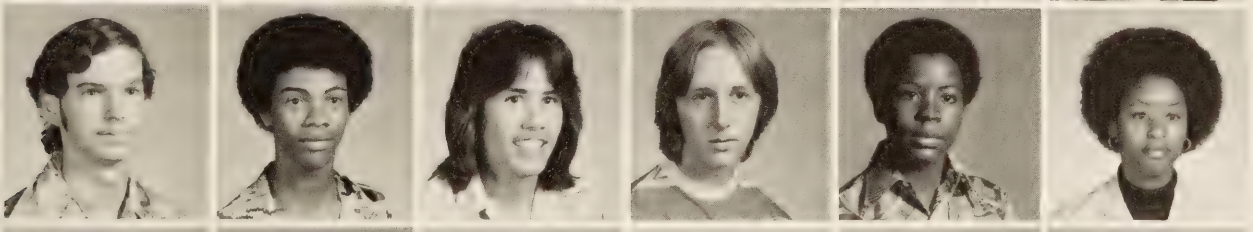

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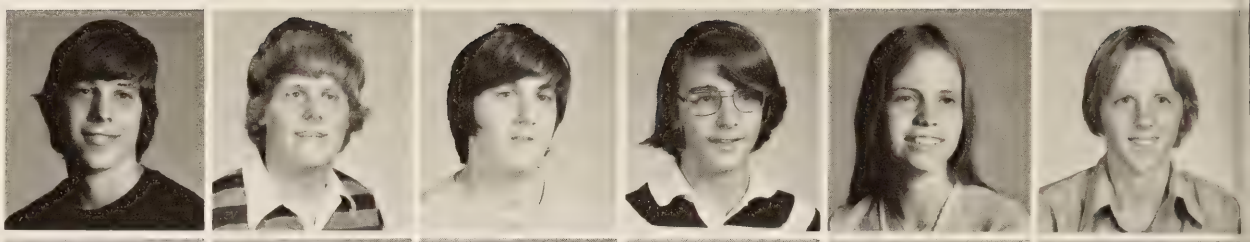

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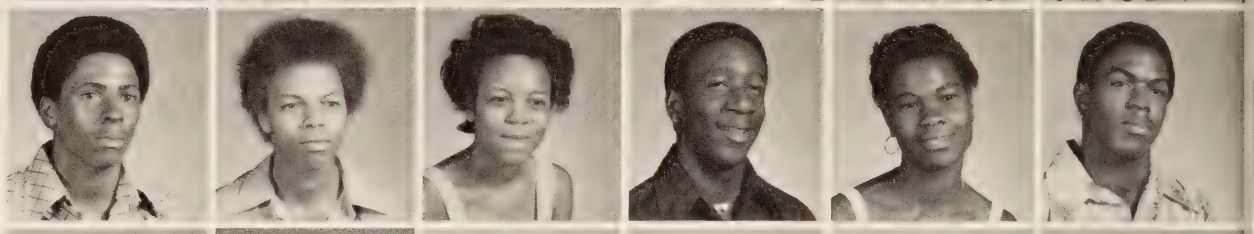

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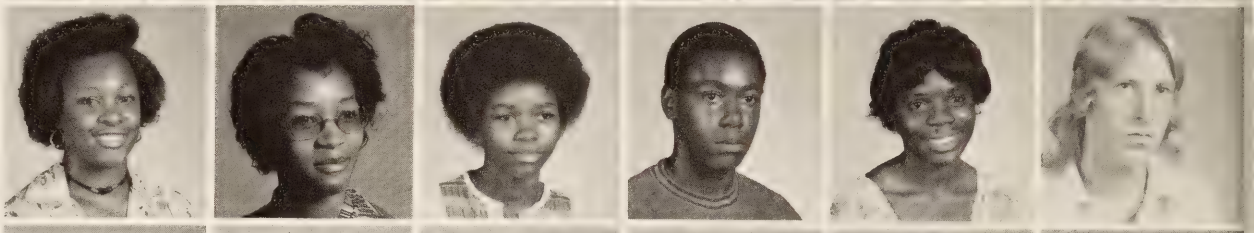

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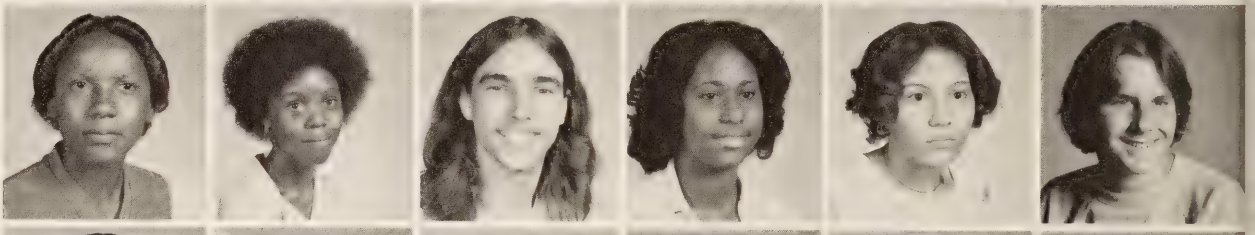

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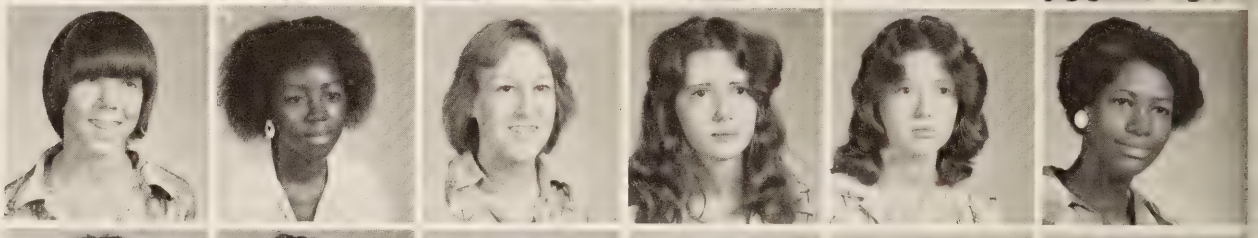

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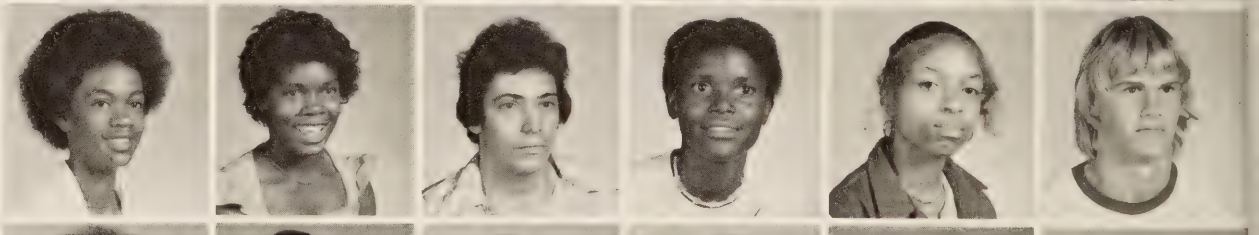
Philip Caldroney



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Matt Cernigliaro
Peggy Chaffin

Jean Childers
Debbie Christenson
Annette Clark
Dwight Clark
Michael Clark
Mark Clarke

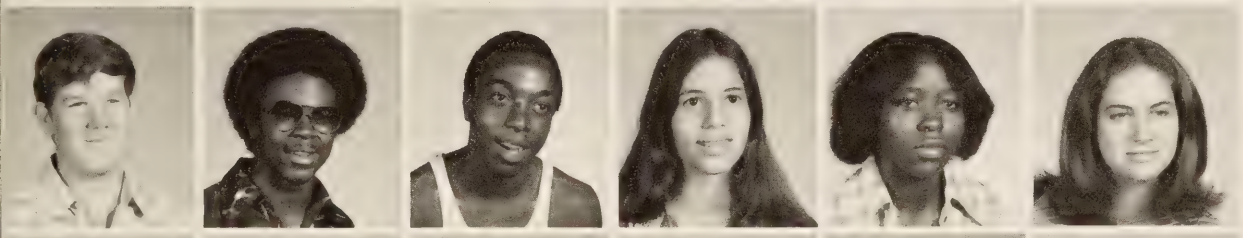
Few Vote In Elections

Sophomores seemed to disagree with the trend toward political activism because in their class elections less than half the Sophomore class registered to vote. This was one of the smallest numbers to vote in a class election in Ferguson's history.

The procedure for class elections was new to Sophomores. They were required to register to be eligible to vote. Speeches were given in an election assembly by nervous classmates, even though the audience was less than polite.

Students who had registered voted by secret ballot during their English classes.

Trying to keep things running smoothly, Miss Fivel directs students towards voting area.



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Zenobia Cooper

Christy Coppock
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Richard Corsette
Rose Cosgrobe
Kenny Creger
Keith Crissman

Jennifer Crumpler
Chris Curtis
Leona Czimmek
Kathy Daily
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Jeff Davis
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Chris Debreaux
Clarence Deloatch

Timothy Dillard
Roger Dillon
Eddie Dingus
Cheri Donahue
Shirley Dougherty
Pete Dowding

Ann Drucker
Carolyn Duck
Angela Ebron
Venus Ebron
John Edgerton
Daniel Edwards

Looking "glamorous" in their gymsuits, sophomore girls play basketball in gym class.

Linda Edwards
Wenet Edwards
Alonzo Elan
Michael Ellsworth
Sherry Elvington
Coretta Evans

Malenn Evans
Scott Evans
Robert Fantaske
Tony Farrell
William Ficklen
Frank Fiscella

Sherry Fitchett
Colette Flowers
Reginald Fox
Jo Friedman
Sharon Fultz
Ed Gabany

Troy Gaines
Tommy Garner
Vanessa Garner
Andy Garrett
Roy Gates
Shenna Gayles

Marian Germain
Donald Gervin
Ronald Gervin
Debra Givens
Sharmyce Glee
Jodie Goodman

Required Classes Fill Sophomore Schedules

Taking gym as a required class was a drag to most sophomores. Wearing frumpy gymsuits, spending an hour each day getting hot and sweaty, jumping into a cold shower, and racing to their next class were things that made a sophomore's life less than pleasant for one semester. And what did they get from all that?

On the other hand, Drivers' Ed. was a class they were rewarded in. They didn't mind reading chapter after chapter of driving rules, watching gory films of car accidents, driving around Todd Stadium knocking over cones, driving through town with a sign on the top of the car that was a warning to other motorists to stay away. They didn't mind all this because in the end they were rewarded with a driver's license, their ticket to freedom! Now if they could just get the car once in a while.

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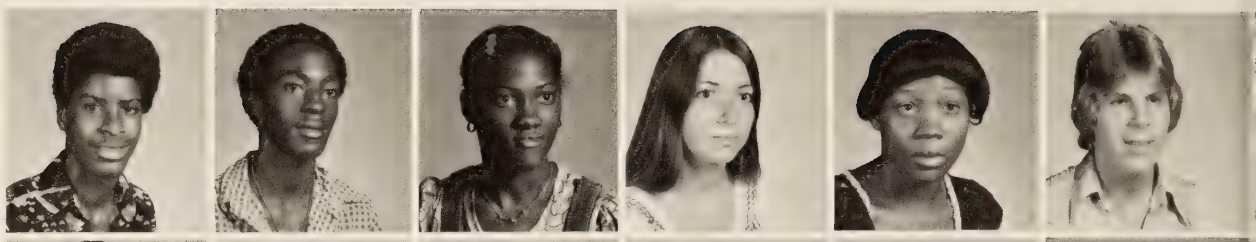
Lisa Granger
Lisa Gravelle
Charlene Gray
Mike Gray



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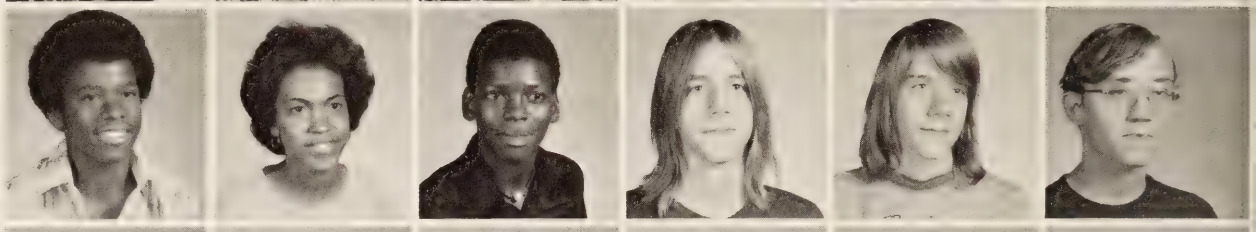

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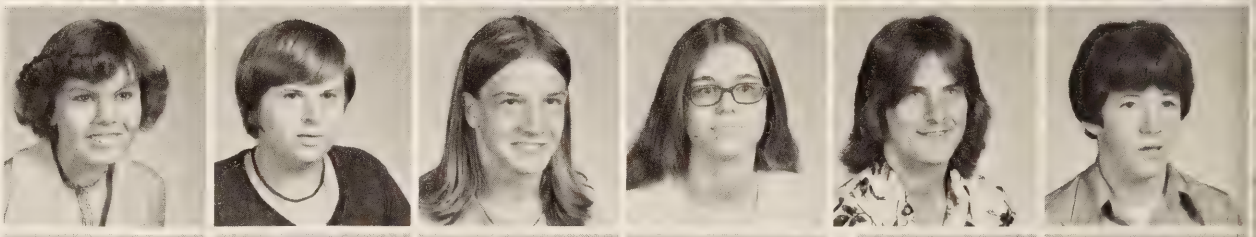

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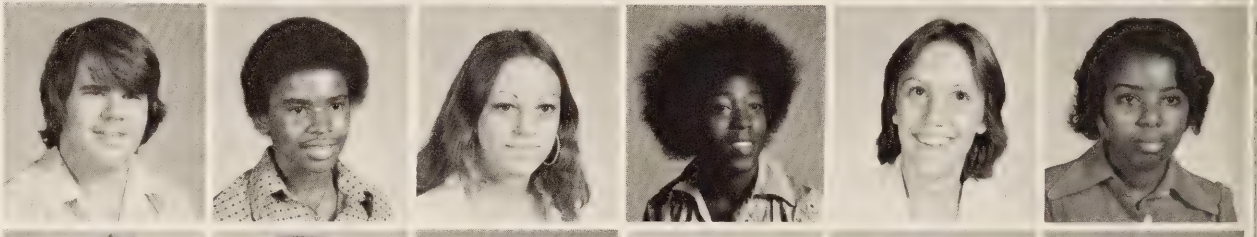

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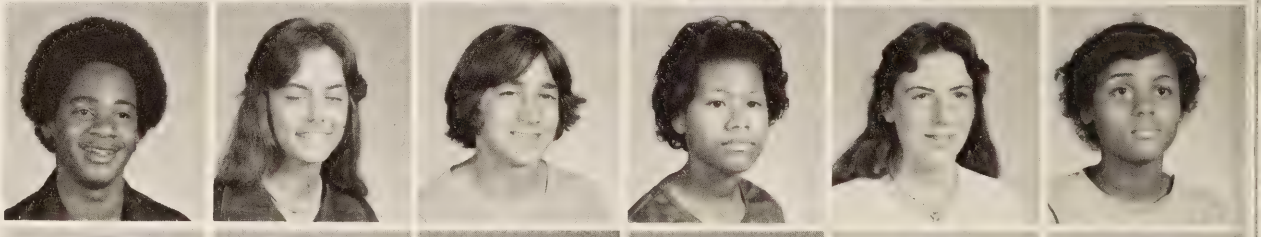
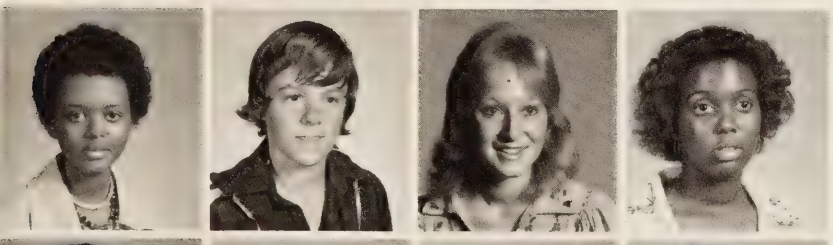


Barbara Hunter
Kaye Hux
Julie Ickstadt
Michael Jackson
Michele Jackson
Ozele Jackson

Active Council Plans Fund Raising Projects

Meeting every Wednesday morning before school, the sophomore class officers planned fund-raising and other activities with the help of their sponsor Mrs. Janet Kessler. Every other Wednesday, the Sophomore Class Council met with the officers to discuss plans and to offer suggestions for a more successful and profitable year.

Sophomore Class Officers. FRONT ROW: Jo Friedman, Sec., Randee Kaiser, Treas. BACK ROW: Kathy Wegner, Hist., Brent Buckles, V. Pres., Greg Russ, Pres.



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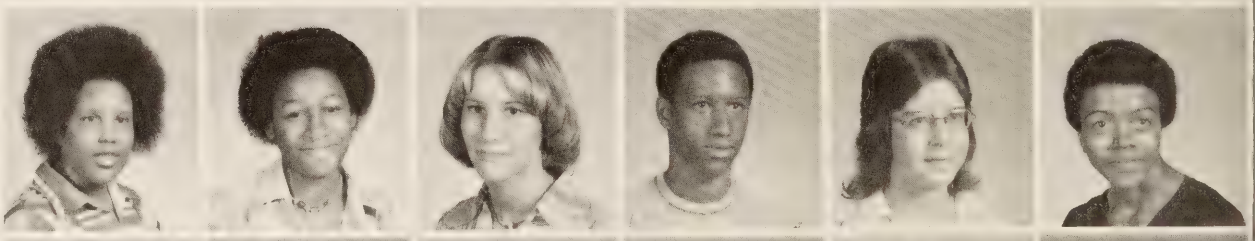
Sophomores Show Their Stuff In Homecoming Skit

Dramatically inclined sophomores Greg Russ and Brent Buckles took the role of an unusually shaped Hampton Crabber in their skit for the Homecoming Assembly.

A dwarfed and deformed Crabber ate his pudding, brushed his teeth, and in all his well-groomed splendor, recited his ABC's. The skit's final moments proved to be the most amusing when the "sub-intelligent" Crabber matched his knowledge of the game against that of the Mighty Mariners.

The Executive Board, virtually unsupported by their class in this endeavor, was responsible for the script and the acting. It all seemed worthwhile until one wise-cracking Sophomore told an actor that he should be on the stage--it leaves in five minutes.

The hands of Greg Russ are the feet of this Crabber, and Kathy Wegener looks on as Brent Buckles tries to get the spoon on target.



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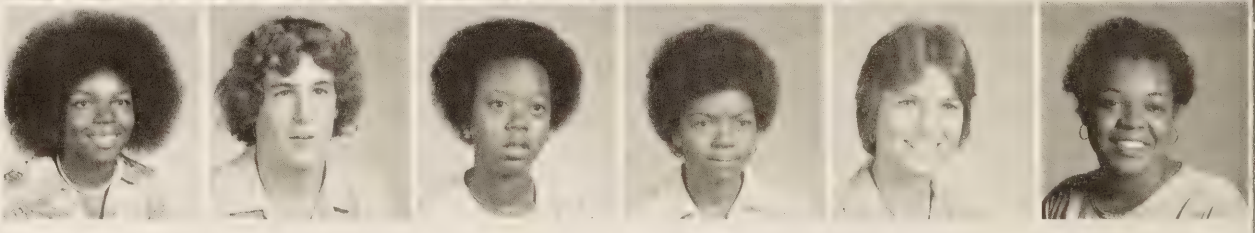

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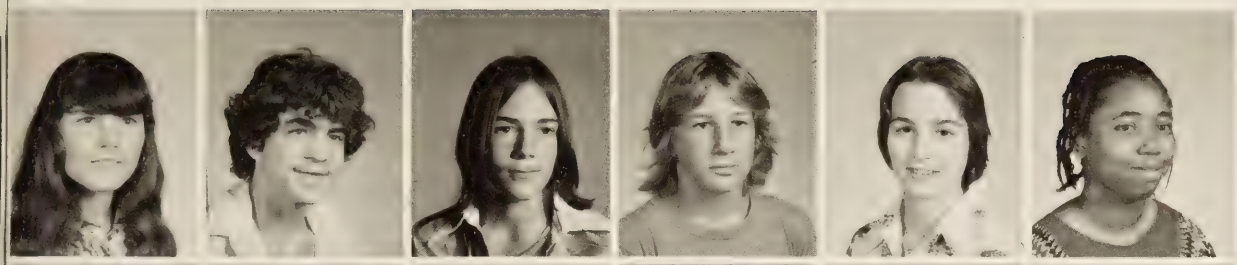

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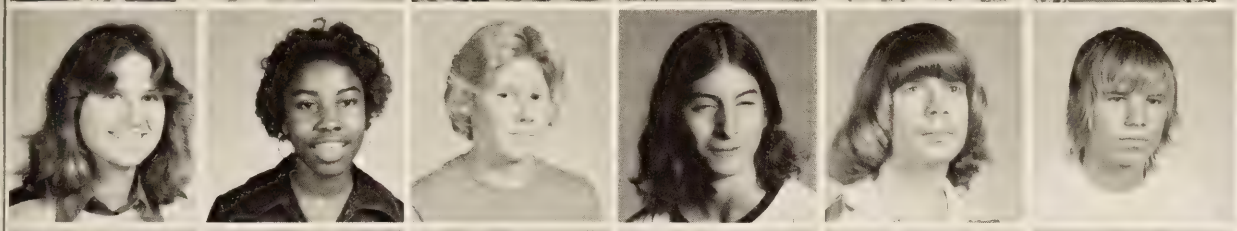

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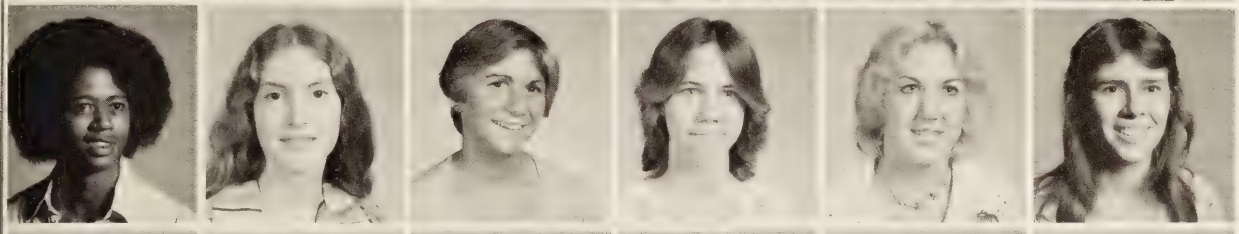

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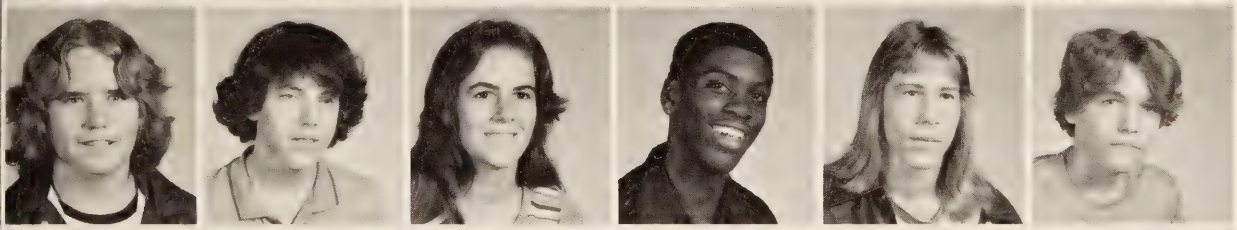

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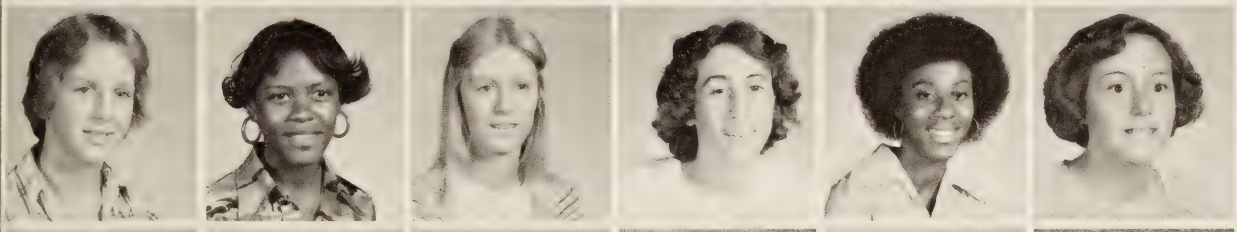

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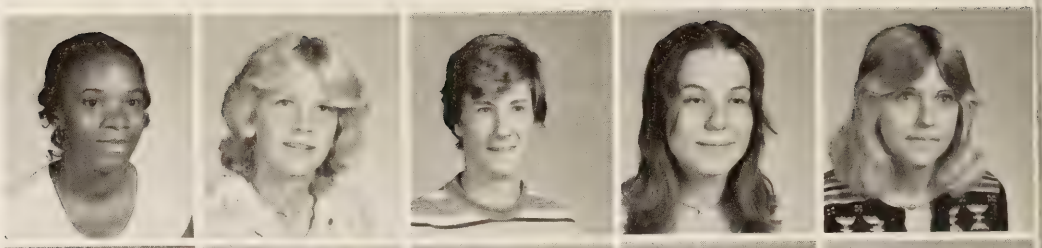

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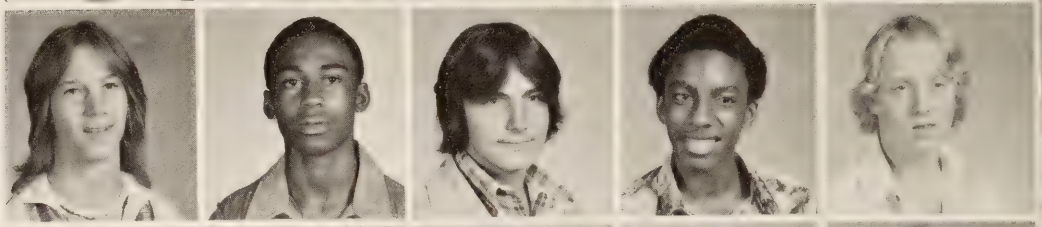

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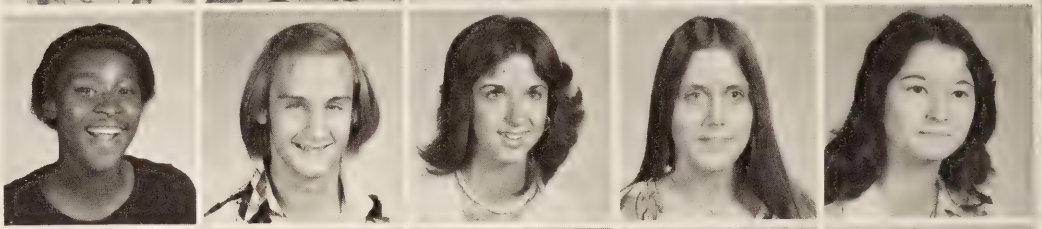

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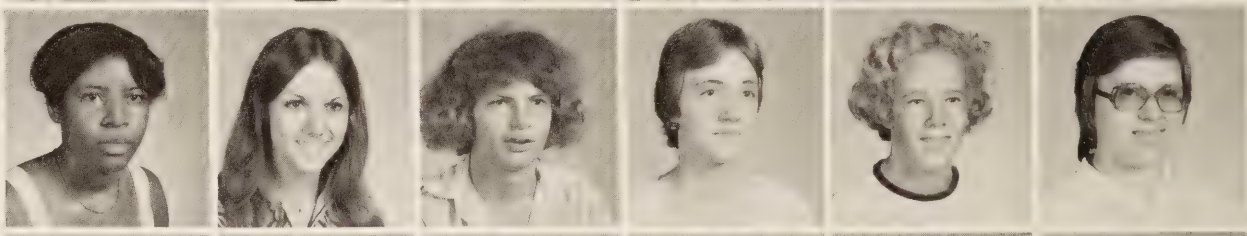

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Steve Nelson
Alice Nettles
Doug Newbill
David Newton

Shakespeare Fills Soph English With Caesar Skits

Sophomore English classes studied JULIUS CAESAR. Individuals and groups shared projects such as models, skits, and reports related to the Elizabethan era. Shakespeare lived on in the Ferguson High School through the efforts of Sophomores.

Portraying the characters Cassius and Pendarius are George Vretakis and Dan Nauman acting out a scene from the play JULIUS CAESAR.

Donna Nicholson
Martin Nixon
Stewart Norman
Danny Norris
Tony Norwood
Diana Novotny

Jannet Nunn
Bruce Oglesby
Olivia O'Neil
Chris Overby
Donna Owens
Karen Owens

Patricia Page
Terri Palmer
Frank Panther
Linda Panther
James Parker
Robert Parker

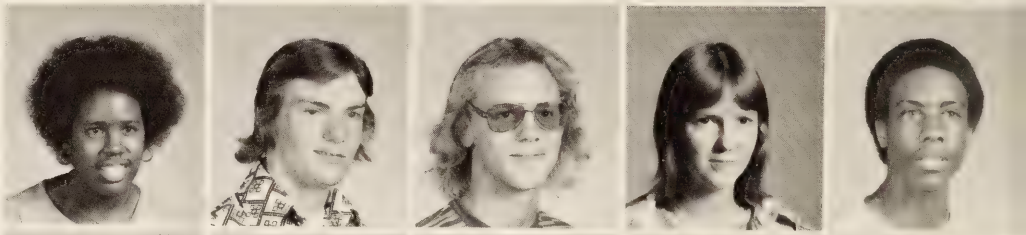
Frank Parrott
Lisa Parsons
Arnell Patillo
Geordie Paton
John Patterson
Tim Pauley

Pam Pender
Theola Pender
Richard Perez

David Perok
Carla Perry
Yvonne Perry

Sophomores stand to cheer for their class during spirit competition at the Spirit Week pep rally.

Alesia Pettaway
Ron Pfieffer
David Pierce
Sonya Pinckney
Anthony Pittman



Judy Pittman
Janet Pleasants
David Pociluyko
Nancy Pollard
Greg Pope

Sophomores Join In Spirit

For their first time Sophomores engaged in activities during Spirit Week. Class members put up posters to decorate their hall. Few came dressed for little boy and girl day, but many came in bobby socks and pleated skirts for 50's day. During the pep assembly those in 50's costumes danced the jitterbug to Hop music. That night brave Sophomores fought the bitter wind at the Ferguson-Warwick game.

Slowly the pieces are put together as sophomores work to prepare decorations for their hall during spirit week.

Belinda Porter
Willie Pressley
Mary Pryor
Angelita Pugh
Robert Pullhan
Michelle Pyradas

Mike Rackley
Robert Radcliffe
Robin Radcliffe
Dewitt Rainey
Mary Raper
Grace Reed

Robby Reeves
Gary Reid
Sam Reynolds
Cindy Rhodes
Tyler Rind
Leslie Roberts

Joseph Robertson
Kevin Robertson
Grant Robinson
Randy Robinson
Debra Rose
Danelle Ross

Emily Rothstein
Shelley Royal
Wanda Royster
Diane Ruffin
Greg Russ
Steve Ruther

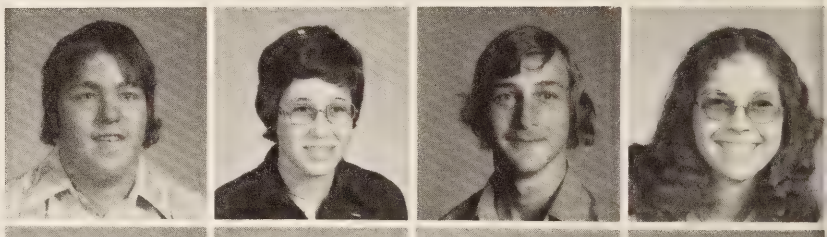
Class Honors Court At Homecoming Activities

Being chosen to represent their class during their first year as Mariners was especially exciting for sophomore court representatives.

"Being chosen for the Homecoming Court was a very exciting experience for me. It is really hard to express in words, but it meant so much. I felt honored being chosen on the court and the joy of it all will never leave my memory."-Janet Pleasants.

"When I first heard I was on the Homecoming Court I would not believe it. I was ready to tell everybody but I could not for a whole week. It was really an exciting honor and I was very proud."
-Joan Young

Sophomore representatives and escorts Janet Pleasants, John Warbington, Joan Young and Jimmy Blakney meet the approval of the Sophomore class.



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Shella Samuels

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Mary Ann Schult
Tim Schultz
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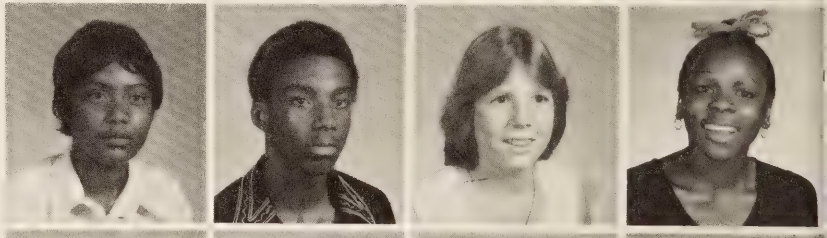

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Kathreen Sedgwick

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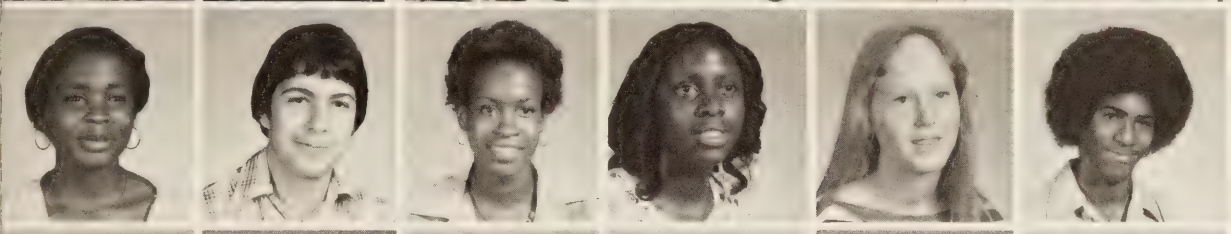

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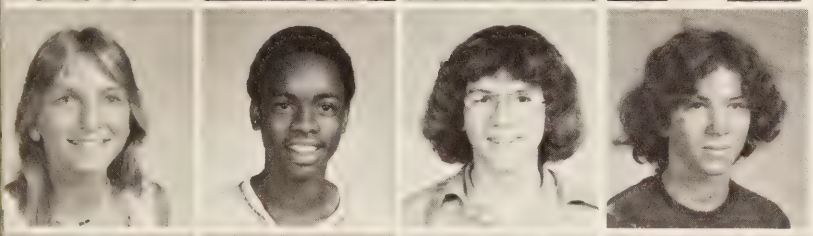

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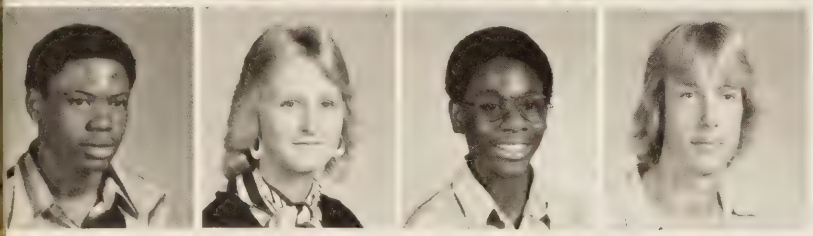
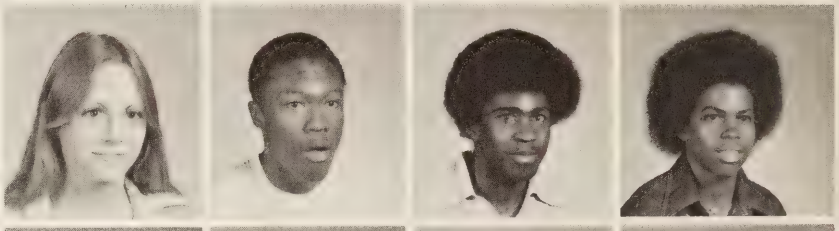


Valiant Taylor
Donna Teagle
Quinton Terry
Troy Terry

Tenth Graders Construct Projects For Teachers

High school life presented a challenge to school minded sophomores. Projects in English, math and science kept sophomores busy with poster board, Elmer's glue and tooth picks building glorious visions of reality for their teachers.

Proudley displaying his English project, Alan Bills shows classmates Donna Mitchell and Ivy Burden his version of Anne Hathaway's cottege.



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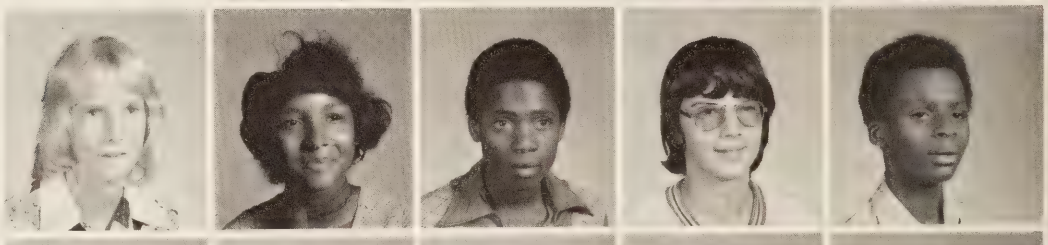

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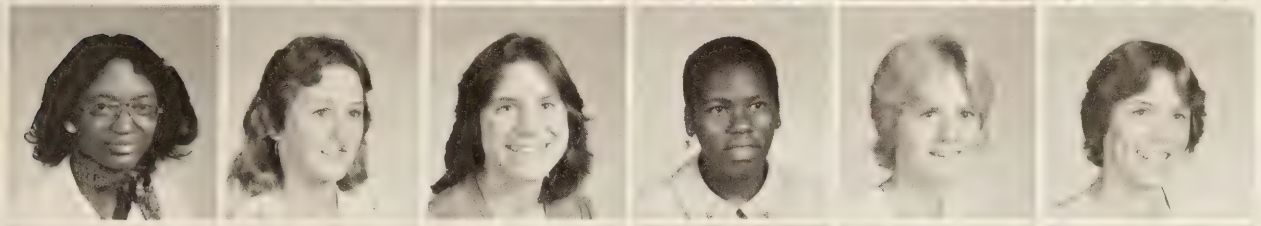

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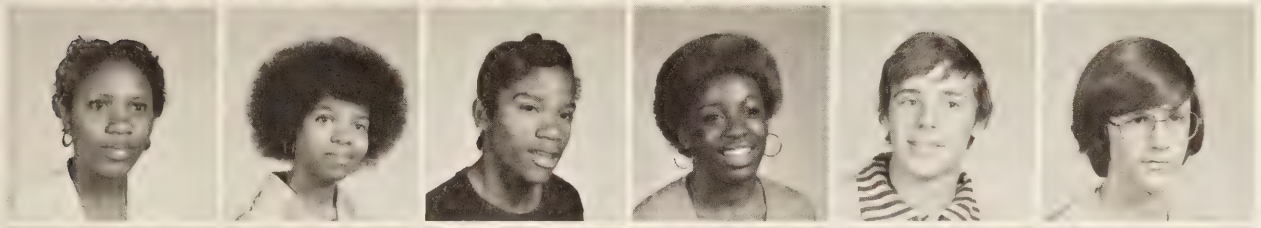

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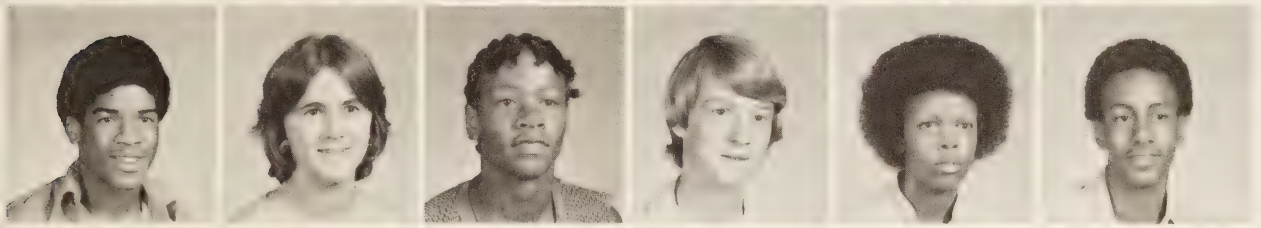

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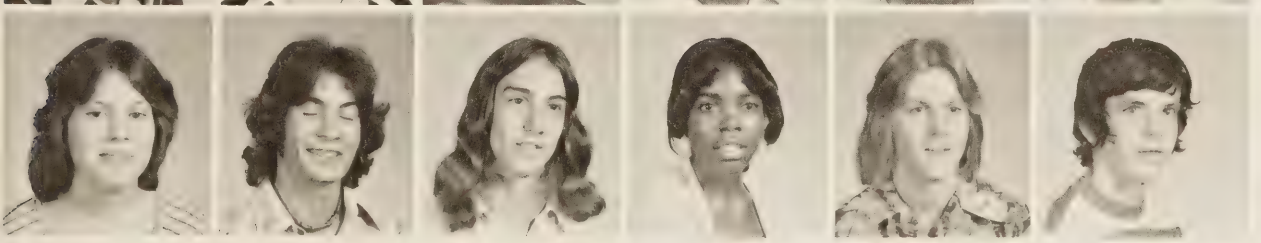

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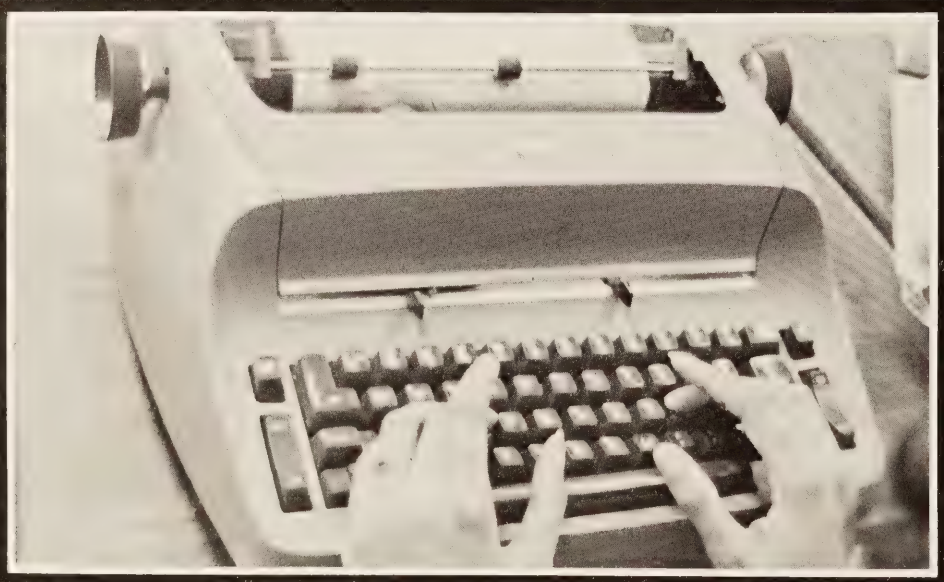

TOP LEFT: A local band plays at the Junior Ring Dance. LEFT: Typing is an important course taught to future secretaries. ABOVE: As part of her job, April Nauman models the latest fashions.

Businesses all over the United States suffered from the cold snap this winter. In Newport News all retail stores, recreation sites, and restaurants experienced a 40-hour work week in compliance with Governor Godwin's attempts to conserve energy. Students continued to search for jobs, and some found employment in shops, fast-food chains, and recreation areas. Other students devoted their time to training in school for future employment.

ABOVE: The Bicentennial celebration encourages Peninsula souvenir sales as tourists flock to see where it all began. RIGHT: An employed student plays mannequin to exhibit fashion at Sears.

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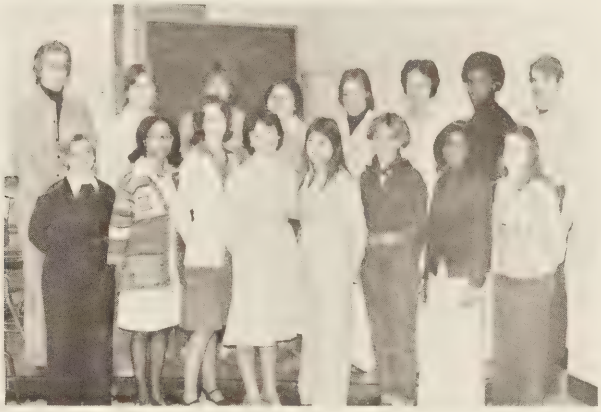

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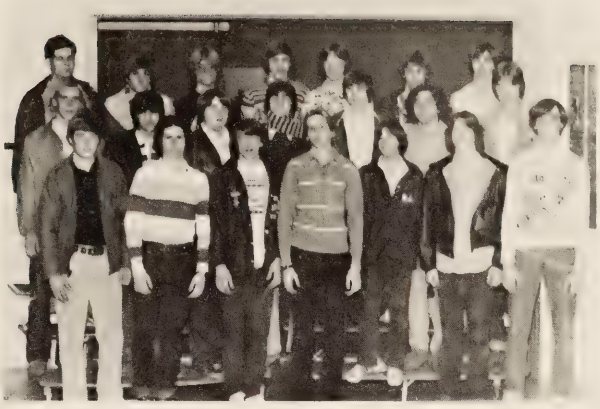

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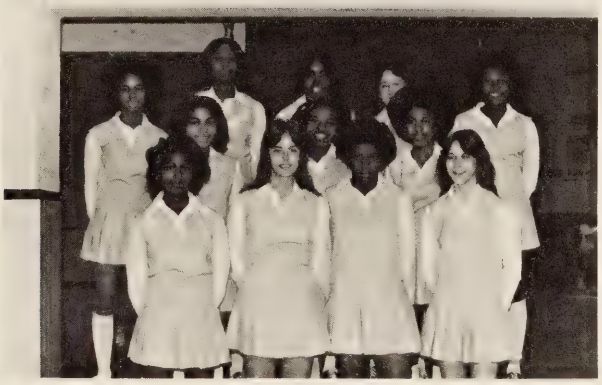

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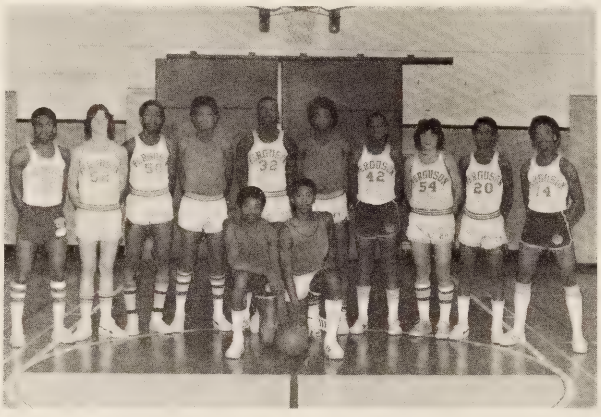

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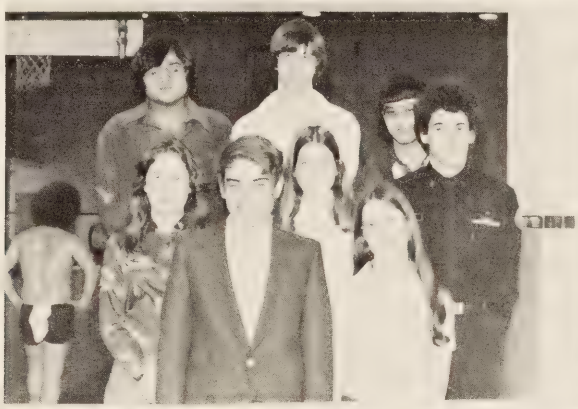

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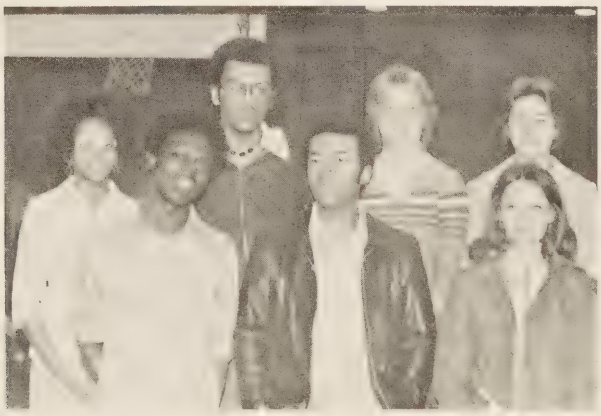

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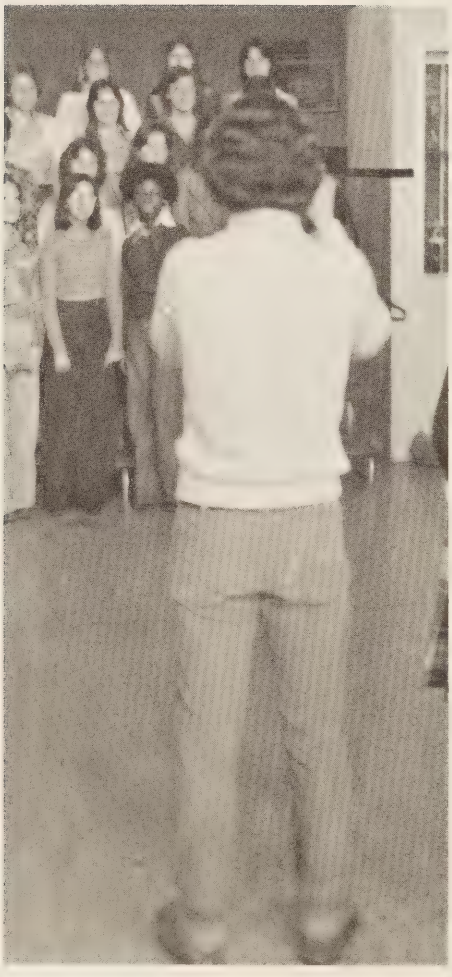

TOP: Trying their skating skills on the frozen bus lane are staff members Donna Strother, Vicky Kaiser and Debra Smith. LEFT: In the gym, a group poses for photographer Steve Lanning's camera. ABOVE: Copy mistakes are carefully pointed out to Misa Boutchard by Ms. Espich, advisor.

Creating a yearbook is a lot of hard work. Pictures must be taken and printed. Copy must be written and typed, and captions, too. Photos and copy must be arranged on the page, and the pages must be arranged into the book according to the plan made in the beginning of the year. Then the whole thing is sent to the factory to be printed.

But there are advantages. Flipping through all those 'mug shots' gives a staff member a good look at every student in the school. Staff members work together and become good friends because they always have something to talk about. And while all the other students wait suspensefully to find out, a staff member knows already what the yearbook will look like.

Still, after all the work, we're glad we were the ones who got to do it. And we hope we did it . . . YOUR WAY!

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ABOVE: Giving up lunch periods is necessary for Alex Grenoble to finish his pages. LEFT: Copy is carefully typed by Joyce Woodham as she completes her reviews of recent movies.

Annual Staff Tries To Do It Your Way

The school year ended in its own way, for some with a crash, and for others with a quiet fizzle. It was the end of another year at Ferguson, but for some it was the end of high school altogether. And now, each of us has the rest of our lives to look back on the year when we . . . DID IT OUR WAY!

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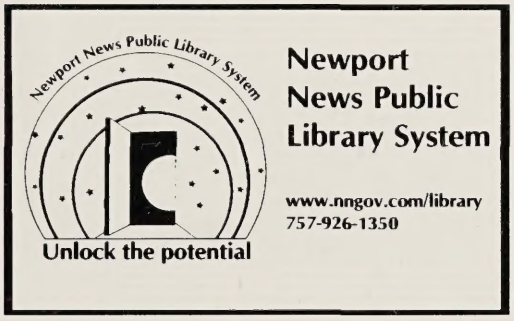
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